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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]
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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. I'LL ASK EVERYONE TO
7 PLEASE RISE. OUR INVOCATION WILL BE WILL LED BY PASTOR KELLY
8 DUPEE FROM FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH IN WEST COVINA FOLLOWED BY
9 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY CARVEL GAY, FORMER STAFF
10 SERGEANT, UNITED STATES ARMY, THE NATIONAL GUARD IN GLENDALE.
11

12 **PASTOR KELLY DUPEE:** HEAVENLY FATHER, WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR NEED
13 OF YOU TODAY AND INVITE YOU TO INTERVENE IN OUR AFFAIRS. THANK
14 YOU FOR BLESSING US WITH THE PRIVILEGE OF LIVING IN THE UNITED
15 STATES OF AMERICA, IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND OF COURSE
16 HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. LORD, WE THANK YOU FOR EACH OF
17 THESE SUPERVISORS WHO REPRESENT US. GOD, WE ASK THAT YOU WOULD
18 BLESS OUR ARMED FORCES TODAY, OUR PRESIDENT AND THE CONGRESS
19 AND OF COURSE THE FEDERAL AGENCIES WHO KEEP US SAFE. HERE
20 CLOSER TO HOME WE ASK YOUR BLESSING FOR SAFETY AND SUCCESS
21 UPON THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND,
22 LORD, BLESS OUR SUPERVISORS HERE. GIVE THEM WISDOM, DIVINE
23 GUIDANCE AND INSPIRATION TO SOLVE THE CHALLENGES THAT OUR
24 COUNTY FACES. FINALLY, LORD, WE LIFT UP THE POOR AND NEEDY,
25 THE HOMELESS AND ALL WHO ARE STRUGGLING TO SURVIVE TODAY.

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1 BLESS THEM. MEET THEIR NEEDS AND PROVIDE FOR THEM. BLESS ALSO
2 ALL THE CHURCHES, ORGANIZATIONS AND AGENCIES WHO MINISTER TO
3 THOSE IN NEED. THANK YOU FOR ANSWERING THESE PRAYER REQUESTS
4 IN THE NAME OF YOUR SON, AMEN.

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6 **CARVEL GAY:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE
7 TO LEAD YOU IN THE SALUTE TO OUR WONDERFUL FLAG. IF YOU WOULD,
8 ANYONE THAT HAS A HAT ON, PLEASE TAKE IT OFF. AND JOIN WITH
9 US. IF YOU ARE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER THE HAND SALUTE.
10 READY, BEGIN. YOUR HAND OVER RIGHT SIDE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
11 RECITED.] THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, IT'S A PLEASURE TO
14 WELCOME ONCE AGAIN CARVEL GAY TO LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF
15 ALLEGIANCE, A GOOD FRIEND, COMMISSIONER ON THE L.A. COUNTY
16 MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION, SERVED IN THE UNITED
17 STATES ARMY, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND ALSO THE STATE ARMY
18 MILITARY RESERVE. WAS A STAFF SERGEANT. HE'S A RESIDENT OF
19 GLENDALE, GRADUATE OF HOLLYWOOD HIGH SCHOOL, LIVED IN THE
20 DISTRICT FOR OVER 50 YEARS, AND IS THE OWNER OF GAY'S TOWING
21 INCORPORATED, C.E.O.. SO, CARVEL, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN.
22 WE APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY AND
23 COUNTY.

24

25 **CARVEL GAY:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT'S AN HONOR THIS MORNING. I WANT
3 EVERYONE TO JOIN ME IN WELCOMING PASTOR KELLY DUPEE. HE IS
4 FROM THE FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH IN WEST COVINA. HE TELLS ME
5 HE'S BEEN THERE FOR 25 YEARS, WHICH IS PRETTY AMAZING. THE
6 PASTOR HAS SERVED AT THIS THRIVING PARISH FOR A LONG TIME AND
7 OVERSEES A WIDE VARIETY OF PROGRAMS AND SUPPORT SERVICES AS
8 WELL AS THE OUTREACH EFFORTS, INCLUDING COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP,
9 OPPORTUNITIES AND ESSENTIAL SUPPORT GROUPS. HE'S A GRADUATE OF
10 AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY AND FULLER SEMINARY. HE HAS MINUTE
11 STERD IN OVER 20 COUNTRIES AND PROVIDES INSPIRATION AND
12 SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP IN EVERY ASPECT OF HIS LIFE. HE IS ALSO
13 THE CHAPLAIN, I AM TOLD, FOR THE WEST COVINA POLICE
14 DEPARTMENT. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, PASTOR
15 DUPEE, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR LEADING US IN OUR INVOCATION.
16 IT'S AN HONOR. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, TO
19 DO THE AGENDA?

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21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN,
22 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE
23 TWO, PRESENTATION AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-1, THE DIRECTOR
24 OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
25 CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO APRIL 22, 2014.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

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4 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE THREE, AGENDA FOR THE
5 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D
6 THROUGH 3-D. ON ITEM NUMBER 1-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
7 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

10

11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEMS 2-D AND 3-D ARE BEFORE YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THOSE MATTERS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
14 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WITHOUT
15 OBJECTIONSO BE THE ORDER.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE FIVE AGENDA FOR THE
18 MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON ITEM
19 NUMBER 1-P, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
20 HOLD THIS ITEM.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE SIX, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
2 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 15, ON ITEM NUMBER 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
3 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NUMBER 2, SUPERVISOR
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOTION PASSES.

11

12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** OKAY. ON ITEM NUMBER 3, THANK YOU,
13 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
14 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 4, THERE'S A REQUEST
15 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER
16 8, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
17 ITEM. ON ITEMS NUMBER 9 AND 10, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A
18 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. THE REMAINING ITEMS
19 UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
22 MOLINA. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON PAGE 10, CONSENT
25 CALENDAR ITEM 16 THROUGH 51. ON ITEMS NUMBER 16 AND 17 THERE'S

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1 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON
2 ITEM NUMBER 18, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE
3 DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS
4 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO APRIL 8, 2014.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT ITEM IS THAT?

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8 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ITEM 18.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NUMBER 21, 22, 23 AND 24
13 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO
14 HOLD THESE ITEMS.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NUMBER 30, THERE'S A G
19 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER
20 37, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
21 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 42, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
22 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 43, AS
23 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE SHERIFF REQUESTS
24 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 15, 2014.
25 EXCUSE ME. APPARENTLY THE SHERIFF DID CHANGE IT TO THREE

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1 WEEKS. SO THAT WILL BE APRIL 22, 2014. ON ITEM NUMBER 48, AS
2 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS
3 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 15, 2014. AND
4 ON ITEM NUMBER 49, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,
5 COUNTY COUNSEL ALSO REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO
6 WEEKS TO APRIL 15, 2014. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
7 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
10 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
11 SO BE THE ORDER.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 26, DISCUSSION ITEM. ITEM
14 NUMBER 52. WE WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 27,
15 MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
16 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
17 AGENDA, ITEM 53-A IS BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMA, THE
20 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 30, NOTICES OF CLOSED
23 SESSION, ON ITEM NUMBER CS-2 WHICH WAS POSTED ON THE
24 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
25 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE

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1 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH

2 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR
5 YAROSLAVSKY? PRESENTATIONS? SO PLEASED TO HAVE WITH US ONCE
6 AGAIN THE WINNERS OF THE 29TH ANNUAL ICAN CHILD ABUSE
7 PREVENTION MONTH POSTER ART CONTEST. IT'S ONE OF THE FUN
8 THINGS THAT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD HERE GETS TO DO AND
9 PARTICIPATE IN. DIFFICULT DECISIONS; BUT AS IS RECOGNIZED,
10 APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH HERE IN LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY. AND BY CELEBRATING THE PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE, WE
12 ARE RECOGNIZING THE EFFORTS OF COUNTLESS PROFESSIONALS AND
13 VOLUNTEERS WHO DEDICATE THEMSELVES TO BRINGING HOPE AND SAFETY
14 TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. WE REMAIN AWARE OF THE DEVASTATION
15 OF PHYSICAL ABUSE, MOLESTATION AND NEGLECT OF CHILDREN; AND WE
16 RECOGNIZE THE TERRIBLE LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF THIS
17 HEARTBREAKING REALITY. HOWEVER, BY BECOMING AND HAVING A
18 BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW AND WHY CHILDREN ARE HURT, WE CAN
19 BETTER SERVE FAMILIES IN CRISIS AND ULTIMATELY SAVE LIVES. SO
20 HERE TO INTRODUCE THE YOUNG ARTISTS, THEY WERE PRESENTED WITH
21 THEIR CERTIFICATES EARLIER. THEY HAVE THEIR DRAWINGS HERE, THE
22 WINNING DRAWINGS. I'M GOING TO ASK DEANNE TILTON, THE
23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ICAN AND BEVERLY KURTZ TO MAKE ANY
24 COMMENTS THEY WANT TO MAKE. IT'S OKAY TO GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND
25 OF APPLAUSE HERE NOW. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **DEANNE TILTON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, CHAIRPERSON KNABE.

3 FELLOW MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, GOOD FRIEND OF CHILDREN. AND WITH

4 US IS PHIL BROWNING. AND HOPEFULLY JERRY POWERS AND MARK

5 SOUTHARD WILL FIND THEIR WAYS FORWARD BECAUSE THEY'RE MEMBERS

6 OF THE ICAN, AS WELL. APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH.

7 HOWEVER, THAT IS JUST THE OFFICIAL MONTH. EVERY MONTH AND

8 EVERY DAY OF EVERY MONTH SHOULD BE DEDICATED TO PREVENTING

9 HARM TO CHILDREN AND PROMOTING JOY IN THEIR YOUNG LIVES. AND

10 THERE'S NOBODY WHO CAN'T DO SOMETHING. FRIENDS, FAMILY,

11 NEIGHBORS. ALMOST ALL SERIOUS AND FATAL CHILD ABUSE CAN BE

12 PREVENTED IF THE COMMUNITY OR JUST ONE CONCERNED PERSON

13 REACHES OUT TO A SAD LOOKING CHILD OR AN ISOLATED OR STRESSED

14 PARENT OR JUST PICKS UP THE PHONE BEFORE A TRAGEDY OCCURS. A

15 CHILD SHOULD NEVER LIVE WITH THE FEAR OF DAD HURTING MOM,

16 BEING HIT, NEGLECTED, LEFT ALONE, AND NO CHILD SHOULD BE

17 BULLIED AT SCHOOL OR VICTIMIZED BY THE INTERNET. BUT IN ALMOST

18 EVERY SCHOOL, IN ALMOST EVERY CLASSROOM IN THIS COUNTY, THERE

19 IS A CHILD WHO FEARS GOING HOME AND FEARS COMING TO SCHOOL.

20 THE ARTWORK OF THE CHILDREN HERE TODAY REFLECTS THEIR

21 AWARENESS AND CONCERN FOR CHILDREN WHO WERE HURT AND FRIENDS

22 THEY WILL NEVER HAVE A CHANCE TO MEET. THESE ARE THE CHILDREN

23 WHO ARE AMONG THE FINALISTS AND WINNERS IN THIS YEAR'S CHILD

24 ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH CONTEST. OKAY, KIDS, HOLD UP YOUR

25 POSTER WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, OKAY? ALIAMA ARORA. HOLD YOUR

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1 POSTER WAY HIGH. MATTHEW FIELD. LUCA FOM. RICARDO GALIANO.
2 SAMANTHA ROMAN RIVERA. BELINDA AGUILERA. MONICA GONZALEZ.
3 VERNICE NAVAR, OLIVIA SPINOLA. IZEL VIGIL. CASSANDRA
4 MAGAZINEO. HALEY ADAMS. TANUT TAZ KANJANAKASET, OUR PREVIOUS
5 MEDICAL EXAMINER TRAINED ME FOR THIS. OKAY. WINNERS INCLUDE
6 SEBASTIAN XIAN, TRISTIAN LEACH, ASHELY WAY. ONLY FOURTH GRADE.
7 AND THE GRAND PRIZE WINNER, SARAH KOVACZ? WHERE ARE YOU,
8 SARAH? [APPLAUSE.] SHE'S HERE. HOLD UP THE GRAND PRIZE WINNER,
9 OKAY. THERE WERE A NUMBER OF JUDGES THAT BEVERLY WILL TELL YOU
10 ABOUT, INCLUDING SUPERVISOR CHAIRPERSON DON KNABE AND PHIL
11 BROWNING, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR OF D.C.F.S. WHO IS JOINING US.
12 AND I HOPE MARV SOUTHARD, DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
13 HEALTH AND JERRY POWERS, THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, WILL
14 JOIN US OUT HERE, TOO, I KNOW THEY'RE HERE. IT'S MY PLEASURE
15 NOW TO INTRODUCE BEVERLY KURTZ, WHO IS THE LONG-TIME CHAIR, 28
16 OF THE 29 YEARS OF THIS CONTEST, BEVERLY HAS BEEN THE
17 CHAIRPERSON OF THIS CONTEST. AND SHE WILL THANK THE JUDGES AND
18 MAKE HER COMMENTS AS THE MOST IMPORTANT PERSON, SINGLE PERSON
19 IN THIS EFFORT. AND I DON'T KNOW IF SABINA ALVAREZ IS UP HERE,
20 SABINA IS THE SENIOR SECRETARY AT ICAN AND WITHOUT HER WE
21 WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO DO THIS, EITHER. SO, BEVERLY, PLEASE.

22

23 **BEVERLY KURTZ:** HI. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK DEANNE FOR THOSE
24 BEAUTIFUL WORDS THAT SHE SAID. IT'S HARD TO FOLLOW HER UP. AND
25 FOR THE PERSONAL COMMENTS. AND SABINA ALVAREZ IS MY ICAN

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1 COCHAIR AND HAS DONE EVERYTHING WITH ME FOR YEARS. THIS IS OUR
2 PUBLIC RELATIONS CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE OUR STUDENTS ON HOW TO BE
3 SAFE. AND WE, BECAUSE IT'S A FOURTH, FIFTH, SIXTH GRADE LEVEL,
4 THE CONTEST IS OPENED UP TO GENERAL THEMES AS WELL AS SPECIFIC
5 THEMES, SUCH AS THE SAFE HAVEN LAW OR THE SAFE SLEEPING TIPS
6 FOR NEWBORNS, CYBER BULLYING, BULLYING, YOU KNOW, JUST USING
7 THE BUDDY SYSTEM OR DON'T KEEP SECRETS. SO THE KIDS COULD --
8 IT'S VERY OPEN-ENDED BECAUSE OF THE GRADE LEVELS. AND YOU CAN
9 SEE THAT WE HAVE 25 UNIQUE STUDENTS WHOSE POSTERS ARE EACH
10 UNIQUE AND CARRY MESSAGES AND FEELINGS. THE SCHOOLS THAT
11 PARTICIPATED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WERE FROM POMONA AND LA
12 VERNE AND TEMPLE CITY TO PANORAMA CITY AND NORTHRIDGE TO
13 REDONDO BEACH AND THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA. SO THE SCHOOLS
14 THAT PARTICIPATE IN THIS CONTEST ARE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY IN
15 ALL DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE COUNTY. AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK -
16 - THE 25 FINALISTS WERE DETERMINED BY L.A. COUNTY ART MUSEUM
17 DOCENTS. AND THEN THE FINALISTS ARE TAKEN TO A PANEL OF
18 JUDGES. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE WAS OUR JUDGE THIS YEAR. AND I
19 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THIS
20 IMPORTANT PROJECT IN THE CITY THAT IS WORTHWHILE FOR STUDENTS
21 AND TEACHERS. AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE TEACHERS, AS WELL. OH,
22 THE JUDGES. I HAVE FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE ICAN
23 COUNCIL, DEANNE TILTON DURFEE, MICHAEL DURFEE, DISTRICT
24 ATTORNEY JACKIE LACEY, AND DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
25 SERVICES PHILIP BROWNING, WHO'S HERE WITH US TODAY. AND THEN I

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1 HAVE ARTISTS. I HAVE THREE ARTISTS. AND THEN I HAVE MUSEUM
2 REPRESENTATIVES. I HAD SOMEBODY THIS YEAR FROM THE NORTON
3 SILENT MUSEUM AND THE FREDERICK WEISSMAN ART MUSEUM. SO IT IS
4 REALLY AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAM. AND THESE WERE THE 25 AND THE
5 FOUR WINNERS AND ONE GRAND PRIZE WINNER OF ALL THOSE POSTERS
6 THAT WERE GIVEN TO US. SO I'D LIKE TO THANK -- AND THE KIDS
7 HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY. ALL TOGETHER?

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9 **CHILDREN:** APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. THANK YOU,
10 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND ICAN FOR PROTECTING KIDS. WE HOPE
11 OUR POSTERS HELP. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR DON KNABE FOR BEING
14 A HERO FOR CHILDREN.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH!

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] RECOGNITION OF
19 APRIL AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH, WE'LL TAKE A TEAM PHOTO
20 HERE. BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **DEANNE TILTON:** THE ENCOURAGING NEWS IS THAT SERIOUS AND FATAL
23 CHILD ABUSE IS DIMINISHING BELOW ANY LEVEL IN THE LAST 25
24 YEARS. IN 2000, WE HAD 35 CHILD ABUSE HOMICIDES. IN 2005, 33.
25 IN 2000 [SIC] 26, AND IN 2012, 14. SO ANY LOSS OF ANY ONE

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1 CHILD IS A TRAGEDY, BUT SAVING THE INFANT LIVES OF 116 BABIES
2 IS A VICTORY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU WANT TO EXIT STAGE RIGHT. GOOD JOB,
5 EVERYBODY. THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU,
6 CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU. THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO ASK OUR
7 TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR MARK SALADINO, CHIEF DEPUTY JOE
8 KELLY, AND AND BUSINESS CONTINUITY TEAM FROM THE T.C.C. TO
9 JOIN US UP HERE. THEY ARE IN THE HOUSE, RIGHT? ALL RIGHT. IN
10 THE HOUSE, RIGHT. [APPLAUSE.] SO TODAY WE'RE GOING TO
11 RECOGNIZE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR FOR ITS
12 CONTINUED FOCUS ON BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING AND ON THE
13 RECENT COMPLETION OF THE 25TH BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING
14 EXERCISE, WHICH WAS CONDUCTED ON THURSDAY, MARCH 27TH. THE LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY TREASURER MANAGES ONE OF THE LARGEST TREASURY
16 POOLS IN THE UNITED STATES, A POOL VALUED AT SOME 26 BILLION
17 DOLLARS. THE TREASURER ALSO FUNDS BETWEEN FOUR AND SIX BILLION
18 DOLLARS OF DISBURSEMENTS EACH MONTH. BECAUSE OF THE MAGNITUDE
19 OF THESE FIGURES AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DISPERSEMENTS TO
20 OUR LOCAL ECONOMY, THE TREASURER DEVELOPED A COMPREHENSIVE
21 PLAN TO ENSURE FINANCIAL STABILITY DURING AN EMERGENCY. THE
22 TREASURER DEVELOPED THE FIRST BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLAN FOR THE
23 TREASURY OPERATION IN 2005 AS PART OF A COUNTY-WIDE INITIATIVE
24 UNDER THE OFFICES OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. THE TREASURER FIRST
25 OPERATIONALIZED THE PLAN IN 2007 IN OCTOBER, AND SINCE THAT

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1 TIME HAS CONDUCTED 25 QUARTERLY EXERCISES AT ITS OFFSITE
2 FACILITY WITH THE MOST RECENT EXERCISE OCCURRING ON MARCH
3 27TH. IN 2008, THE TREASURER'S EFFORTS WITH THE BUSINESS
4 CONTINUITY PLANNING WERE RECOGNIZED BY THE NATIONAL
5 ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES WITH A BIG AWARD, THE TREASURER'S
6 EFFORTS WERE ALSO RECOGNIZED LAST YEAR BY OUR FINANCIAL
7 PARTNERS AS A PUBLIC- SECTOR BEST PRACTICE. AND THE
8 TREASURER'S BEEN INVITED TO PARTICIPATE ON PANELS OF NATIONAL
9 CONFERENCES TO DISCUSS OUR BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING. THE
10 TREASURER HOSTS A NUMBER OF COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AT ITS OFFSITE
11 EXERCISES TO SHARE THIER EXPERIENCES AND LESSONS LEARNED IN
12 BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING. IT'S A NATIONAL MODEL WHAT
13 THEY'VE DONE HERE. OBVIOUSLY BECAUSE OF THE EXPERIENCE OF
14 9/11, THE IMPORTANCE OF BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND THE TRANSFER
15 OF DOLLARS, BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.
16 SO OUR DEPARTMENT OF TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR HAS REALLY
17 DISTINGUISHED ITSELF IN THIS AREA, AND WE'RE PLEASED TODAY
18 JUST TO SAY THANK YOU AND TO CELEBRATE THIS MILESTONE IN
19 DISASTER PREPAREDNESS. SO TO MARK AND HIS TEAM, A GREAT JOB
20 AND CONGRATULATIONS. LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE).
21 [APPLAUSE.] [LAUGHTER.]

22

23 **MARK SALADINO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE
24 ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. WE ARE VERY
25 PROUD OF THE FACT THAT WE ARE IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE

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1 CALIFORNIA COUNTIES, CERTAINLY, AND EVEN AMONG OTHER L.A.
2 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, I THINK, THAT WE'RE WAY AHEAD OF THE CURVE
3 IN TERMS OF BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING. AND I THINK THAT WE
4 CAN ALL REST A LITTLE EASIER KNOWING THAT IF A DISASTER WERE
5 TO OCCUR, TO PREVENT US FROM FUNDING PAYROLL, FOR EXAMPLE, ON
6 A PAYROLL DATE, THE COUNTY PAYROLL IS MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF
7 DOLLARS INTO THE LOCAL ECONOMY TWICE A MONTH. AND IF THAT
8 PAYROLL WERE NOT MET, THEN OBVIOUSLY COUNTY EMPLOYEES WOULDN'T
9 BE ABLE TO PAY THEIR BILLS AND THERE WOULD BE A RIPPLE EFFECT
10 THROUGH THE ECONOMY THAT COULD BE QUITE DISASTROUS. SO WE ARE
11 READY. AND WE HAVE AN OFFSITE LOCATION IF ANYTHING WERE TO
12 HAPPEN TO THIS BUILDING, WE STILL MOVE MONEY. WE CAN STILL
13 MAKE SURE EVERYBODY GETS PAID AND THAT THE COUNTY CAN PAY ITS
14 BILLS, AS WELL. SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THIS GREAT HONOR, BOARD
15 OF SUPERVISORS. AND WE WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONALIZING OUR PLAN
16 EVERY QUARTER AND WE'LL LOOK FORWARD TO COMING BACK IN A FEW
17 YEARS TO CELEBRATE OUR 50TH EXERCISE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]
18 CONGRATULATIONS, GUYS, GALS, BOYS AND GIRLS, CHILDREN OF ALL
19 AGES. MIKE?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE HAVE LITTLE CARSON WHO IS A
22 CHIHUAHUA MIX WHO WAS IN MY OFFICE RUNNING UP AND DOWN THE
23 HALLS. HE'S A LITTLE HYPER. HE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. THREE
24 MONTHS OLD, 12 WEEKS, LOOKING FOR A HOME. YOU CAN CALL 562-
25 728-4882. SO HE'S A VERY LOVEABLE LITTLE CRITTER. WHAT DO YOU

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1 THINK, RICK? YOU ALREADY HAVE TWO? OKAY. HOW ABOUT MARK?

2 MARK'S COME A LONG WAY.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M THINKING THAT DOG WANTS YOUR SHOES,

5 MIKE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? OKAY.

6 ALL RIGHT. THREE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE HELD MULTIPLE

7 ITEMS. INVITE ARNOLD SACHS ON 1-D, 1-P, 8, 9, 23, 24, CS-2.

8 GENEVIEVE ON ITEM 1 AND 22. ERIC PREVEN ON 1-D, 4, 8, 10, 16,

9 17, 21, 37, 42 AND CS-2.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM

12 DISTRICT 3, ALSO A CANDIDATE FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT SUPERVISOR

13 SEAT. IT WAS NICE TO SEE THE TREASURER TAX COLLECTOR DOWN HERE

14 AND TO SEE YOU ALL GIVING HIM A SMALL AWARD. I WISH HE WAS

15 MORE COOPERATIVE DURING THE AMERICAN GOLF DISCUSSION BECAUSE

16 WE WERE LOOKING VERY CLOSELY AT THE TRANSACTION THAT TOOK

17 PLACE BETWEEN GOLDMAN SACHS AND STARWOOD CAPITAL AND FORTRESS,

18 AND OF COURSE HE WAS NOT HELPFUL AT ALL. THE OTHER THING THAT

19 IS INTERESTING TO KNOW IS THAT ITEM 17 TODAY IS A GROUP CALLED

20 BID CORE ASSETS. LAST WEEK THEY RECEIVED A SOLE- SOURCE

21 AGREEMENT TO HANDLE SOME DEFAULT PARCEL AUCTIONS FOR US. AND

22 TODAY THIS WEEK ITEM 17 IS 673 OF THOSE ITEMS ARE BEING MOVED

23 FORWARD, IF I HAVE THE NUMBER RIGHT. IT MAY BE 153, I THINK

24 IT'S 653 DIFFERENCE SO I'M VERY CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT THEIR TAKE

25 WOULD BE ON THAT. ITEM 1-D AND ITEM NUMBER 8 ARE LINKED, AND

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1 ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, THE THIRD DISTRICT SUPERVISOR IS ROLLING OUT
2 VERY CLEAR PRESENTATION AFTER ITEM 8 ABOUT PREPARING SOME
3 HOUSING AND BUILDING SOME THINGS TO FACILITATE HOMELESSNESS
4 HOUSING, WHICH IS VERY, VERY GOOD, AND LOW-COST HOUSING. I
5 THINK IT'S GREAT. I WOULD REFERENCE, THOUGH, THE C.D.C. ONE
6 MORE TIME AND THESE ADMIN FEES, BECAUSE THEY RANGE WIDELY, AS
7 WE'VE HEARD. ON SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2013, GLORIA MOLINA IS ON THE
8 RECORD WORRIED ABOUT THE ESCALATING C.D.C. FEES. AND I THINK
9 IT'S WORTH TAKING A CLOSE LOOK. ITEM NUMBER 4 IS KIND OF A
10 RUN-OF-THE-MILL SECOND DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR SOME
11 CURBS AND DRIVEWAY MATERIALS AND SO ON AND SO FORTH. THE
12 PROBLEM IS IT WAS A 2 MILLION DOLLAR, 2.3 MILLION DOLLAR GIG
13 THAT THEY BID ON AND WON. BUT NOW THERE'S A 450,000 DOLLAR
14 UPCHARGE. NOW, THAT IS A BIG MISCALCULATION ABOUT WHAT NEEDED
15 TO BE DONE, CERTAINLY. SO I WOULD JUST SCRUTINIZE THAT ONE
16 CAREFULLY. ITEM 10 IS EXCITING TO SEE ONCE AGAIN THE SECOND
17 WEEK IN A ROW I BELIEVE OR THIRD, TO SEE SPECIAL OLYMPICS
18 DONATIONS. SUPERVISOR KNABE IS PREPARING SOME PARKING FOR
19 THOSE -- FOR THAT GROUP. AND OF COURSE MANY PEOPLE HERE AT THE
20 COUNTY SUPPORT THAT GROUP, INCLUDING ME. FREEZING FOR A REASON
21 COMES TO MIND WHICH WAS THE TRIP OVER TO KOREA TO PARTICIPATE
22 IN THAT ONE. LOOK, IT'S ALL GREAT, BUT HOW ABOUT PARKING
23 SUBSIDY FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT? I'VE ASKED EACH ONE OF THE BOARD
24 MEMBERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND I DO THINK IT'S A GOOD AREA
25 FOR YOU, ESPECIALLY NOW, WE'RE TRYING TO BRING MORE PEOPLE

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1 INTO THIS PROCESS. ITEM NUMBER 16 IS THE SHERIFF. HE HAS
2 REQUESTED SOME MONEY, TWO MILLION FOR KIND OF LABOR CHARGES IN
3 CONNECTION WITH C.C.J.V. THAT'S CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL
4 VIOLENCE AND TWO MILLION FOR SERVICE AND SUPPLIES. BUT THE ONE
5 THAT CAUGHT ME WAS WE'RE GOING TO SPEND AN ADDITIONAL 578,000
6 ON SOMETHING CALLED A SHOOTING SIMULATOR. NOW, I KNOW WE HAVE
7 A SHOOTING SIMULATOR, SO I'M CONCERNED. MAYBE WE'RE UPGRADING,
8 BUT IT SEEMS LIKE A LOT. AND THEN ITEM NUMBER 43 IS THE PENSKE
9 FLEET MANAGEMENT CONTRACT WHICH IS THE SHERIFF HAS 5,700
10 VEHICLES. NOW, 1,500 OF THOSE ARE EXECUTIVE PERK RIDES. WE
11 SHOULD BE LOOKING AT A WAY TO DEPLOY THAT TOWARD PUBLIC SAFETY
12 AS OPPOSED TO --

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, TIME'S UP.

15

16 **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU'RE WELCOME, THANK YOU, SIR.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I
19 DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS. 1-D REFERS TO THE COMMUNITY
20 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND 200,000 DOLLARS FOR ADMINISTRATION
21 OF THIS LOAN OF THIS MONEY. AND I REFER BACK TO MARCH 4, 2014
22 WHEN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MADE A RECOMMENDATION ACTING AS THE
23 COMMISSIONERS OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. SO WHAT
24 DO YOU ADMINISTRATE FOR 200,000 DOLLARS OUT OF ALL THE FEES?
25 NOW, I KNOW 10 PERCENT SEEMS EXCESSIVE. AND THEN THERE WAS A

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1 STORY I BELIEVE IN SUNDAY'S NEWSPAPER ABOUT SOMEBODY WHO GOT
2 INVOLVED WITH LELAND YEE, A SHRIMP BOY FROM SAN FRANCISCO. THE
3 STORY WENT ON ABOUT HOW HE WAS MAKING MONEY, HE WAS GETTING 10
4 PERCENT OF ALL THE FEES HE COLLECTED. SO I GUESS THAT'S THE
5 GOING RATE FOR ORGANIZED CRIME. THAT'S WHY YOU GET 10 PERCENT.
6 I HELD ITEM NUMBER 1-P, IT MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT
7 PROCEDURAL GUIDES ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO I'M
8 LOOKING AT SOME THINGS IN METRO. AND YOU'LL ASK WELL WHY ARE
9 THEY CONNECTED? THIS IS A TIFIA LOAN GUIDE THAT WAS PUT
10 TOGETHER JULY 20TH, THE TIFIA LOAN, THE CORPORATION, A
11 NONPROFIT CREATED IN JULY 20, 2011, AND IT USES AS EXAMPLES
12 L.A. COUNTY. TWO CONDUIT ISSUING ENTITIES, THE L.A.P.W.F.A.
13 AND THE L.A.C.C.A.L.C. SO I'M WONDERING. AND THEY ALSO
14 MENTIONED THEY USE RATIONALE IN THIS CORPORATION, THIS
15 NONPROFIT CORPORATION. BECAUSE ALL OF A SUDDEN ONE YEAR LATER,
16 7, 18 MONTHS LATER, THERE'S A TIFIA LOAN FOR THE REGIONAL
17 CONNECTOR BUT WITHOUT A NONPROFIT. THEN MARCH 19TH, JUST NOW,
18 THERE'S A TIFIA LOAN FOR THE WEST SIDE PURPLE LINE WITHOUT A
19 NONPROFIT. SO WHAT KIND OF PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES DOES THE
20 BOARD HAVE THAT METRO WOULD CITE THEM AS AN EXAMPLE TO CREATE
21 THIS NONPROFIT AND THEN TURN AROUND AND GIVE TWO MORE TIFIA
22 LOANS FOR METRO, THEY DON'T CITE THE NONPROFIT. THEY DON'T
23 CITE THE COUNTY. AND THEY DON'T HAVE A NONPROFIT. HOW IS THAT
24 POSSIBLE? AND THEY DON'T USE ANY RATIONALE. HOW IS THAT
25 POSSIBLE? WELL, YOU KNOW, THAT'S METRO. WHO CARES? IT'S ONLY

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1 MONEY. AND THEN I HELD YOUR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. YOU
2 KNOW, YOU HAD BACK BEFORE YOU ENDED THE BLUE RIBBON
3 COMMISSION, YOU HAD 859 RECOMMENDATIONS. NOW YOU TAKE THOSE
4 RECOMMENDATIONS, YOU TAKE THE BOOK OF Z, YOU GET 10 MORE
5 RECOMMENDATIONS. THAT'S 871. DO THE MATH. THAT MEANS 29 DAYS
6 IN APRIL, 30 RECOMMENDATIONS A DAY. EACH SUPERVISOR COULD DO A
7 READING OF FIVE OR SIX RECOMMENDATIONS A DAY. YOU'D ACCOMPLISH
8 SOMETHING BY DOING NOTHING AND AT LEAST HAVE THE
9 RECOMMENDATIONS READ. AND CS-2, PROFESSIONAL PEACE OFFICERS,
10 THE SHERIFF'S INVOLVED IN THOSE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU'RE OUT OF TIME. GREAT ANSWERS TO EVERYTHING
15 AGAIN, SIR.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GENEVIEVE?

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
20 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, YOU WILL NOT BE
21 SURPRISED BECAUSE EVERY TIME WHEN THERE IS A PERSON SELECTED
22 TO BE ON H.I.V. COMMISSION, I SPEAK TO THIS BOARD. AND EVERY
23 TIME IT IS EITHER A PERSON WHO HAS H.I.V. OR A PERSON WOULD
24 PROVIDE H.I.V. TREATMENT. I AM NOT OBJECTING TO THE
25 INDIVIDUALS. I AM OBJECTING THAT EVERY TIME IS ONLY PEOPLE WHO

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1 ARE EITHER H.I.V. POSITIVE OR PROVIDE TREATMENT TO PEOPLE WHO
2 ARE H.I.V. POSITIVE. ERSHA, WITH THE GOOD GOVERNMENT AGENCY
3 WILL PROVIDE FUNDING THAT COMMISSION AND ALLOW THAT COMMISSION
4 TO DISPERSE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS EVERY YEAR IS VERY SPECIFIC
5 ABOUT THE COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION. AND HERE FOR THE LAST
6 MANY, MANY YEARS, YOU HAVE ALLOWED IT TO BE A ROGUE
7 COMMISSION. AND I THINK IT'S TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE. AND I
8 THINK THIS NEEDS TO BE CHANGED. AND MAYBE ONE DAY YOU WILL BE
9 FORCED TO RETURN THOSE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS YOU HAVE RECEIVED
10 FROM YOUR SHOP LIKE ANOTHER CITY WHO ARE (INAUDIBLE). ON ITEM
11 22, I AM SURPRISED THAT FOR SUCH AN IMPORTANT ISSUE, YOU WAIT
12 60 DAYS BEFORE THE RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT TO SEND THE
13 REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL. EVEN THAT WE HAD ONE OF THOSE SHAKES
14 LAST WEEK, YOU KNOW, IT WOULD BE NICE THAT WE ARE PREPARED
15 WHEN WE HAVE EMERGENCY ISSUES. ALSO, I WANT TO SPEAK TO ITEM
16 52, BUT IS IT FOR DISCUSSION? YOU'LL COME BACK FOR DISCUSSION?
17 WELL IN CASE I'M NOT HERE BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW HOW LATE IT'S
18 GOING TO BE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL CALL YOU BACK FOR 52.

21

22 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OKAY.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CAN TALK NOW. GO AHEAD.

25

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I AM CONCERNED BECAUSE THAT ITEM MIGHT
2 BE POSTPONED WEEK AFTER WEEK AFTER WEEK. AND LIKE I TOLD YOU
3 BEFORE, WE ARE NOT READY FOR A.C.A. AND AT THE SAME TIME, I
4 WOULD LIKE THAT IT'S NOT POSTPONED ANYMORE. AND WHEN I LOOK AT
5 THE REPORT, WE DON'T HAVE THE NECESSARY INFORMATION TO MAKE IT
6 TOTALLY DECISION. I ALSO WILL PROVIDE YOU WITH AN ARTICLE
7 HAVING TO DO WITH MICRA, ONE OF OUR FAVORITE SUBJECTS HERE,
8 FOR YOUR READING PLEASURE. IT WAS IN THE "PASADENA STAR-NEWS."
9 HAVE A GOOD DAY.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM'S BEFORE US.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE
14 YOU. ITEM NUMBER 1-D, 1-P, 1, 4, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23,
15 24, 30, 37 AND 42.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
18 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
19 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL TAKE UP ITEM NUMBER 3 HELD
24 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, THERE ARE THOSE WHO ARE HERE
2 WISHING TO BE HEARD ON IT. I WOULD SIMPLY ASK THAT THEY BE
3 ACCOMMODATED AND WE CAN THEN DISPOSE OF THE MATTER
4 ACCORDINGLY. YOUR PRESENTATION, MR. CHAIRMAN, COINCIDES WITH
5 THIS ITEM QUITE NICELY IN TERMS OF CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION
6 MONTH AND THE RAGE OF ISSUES, SO I TURN IT OVER TO YOU AT THAT
7 POINT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SEVERAL SPEAKERS SIGN UP. LESLIE
10 HEIMOV, AND MARISSA RODRIGUEZ, ALSO ARNOLD SACHS. GO AHEAD.

11

12 **LESLIE HEIMOV:** GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU. I'M LESLIE HEIMOV, THE
13 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER OF CALIFORNIA.
14 WE ARE ONE OF THE COSPONSORS OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT BUDGET
15 ITEM. I JUST WANT TO BRIEFLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOARD'S INTEREST
16 IN THIS TOPIC AND WOULD COMMENT THAT WHEN I WAS HERE A FEW
17 MONTHS AGO TESTIFYING BEFORE THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON
18 CHILD PROTECTION HERE IN LOS ANGELES, THE ISSUE OF CASELOADS
19 CAME UP AND I WAS ASKED BY ONE OF THE COMMISSIONERS WHAT THE
20 COUNTY COULD DO FOR CHILDREN'S LAWYERS' CASELOADS AND AT THE
21 TIME I REALLY DIDN'T HAVE AN ANSWER BECAUSE IT'S NOT SOMETHING
22 THAT THE COUNTY DIRECTLY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR, BUT I'M VERY
23 ENCOURAGED THAT THERE IS SOMETHING WE CAN DO TOGETHER NOW TO
24 BETTER SERVE THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OF THIS COUNTY BY
25 INSURING THAT THEY HAVE LAWYERS WITH MANAGEABLE CASELOADS SO

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1 THAT WE CAN DO OUR JOB FOR THEM, WHICH IS MAKING SURE THAT
2 THEIR VOICES ARE HEARD, THAT THEY GET THE ATTENTION THAT THEY
3 NEED, THE SERVICES THAT THEY NEED, THAT WE'RE ABLE TO WORK
4 TOGETHER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,
5 WHERE APPROPRIATE, TO MOVE ALL THESE FAMILIES FORWARD THROUGH
6 THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND INTO A BETTER SITUATION FOR THE
7 CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES. AND I AM NOT GOING TO USE ALL OF MY
8 TIME, THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **MARISA RODRIGUEZ:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARISSA. AND I
13 ACTUALLY GREW UP IN FOSTER CARE. I WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO
14 HAVE AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT ME AND REALLY HAVE ENOUGH TIME
15 TO DEDICATE TO ME AND GET TO KNOW ME AND ADVOCATE AND MY
16 BEHALF IN FRONT OF THE COURT. UNFORTUNATELY NOW WITH THESE
17 REALLY HIGH CASELOADS NOW THAT AS AN ADULT I HAVE THE
18 PRIVILEGE OF WORKING FOR THE CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER, I GET TO
19 SEE SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT THEY FACE TODAY WITH THESE
20 REALLY HIGH CASELOADS. I SEE THAT THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO DEDICATE
21 AS MUCH TIME TO EACH INDIVIDUAL CLIENT. AND AS I SAID, I WAS
22 LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE AN ATTORNEY WHO WAS ABLE TO DO THAT FOR
23 ME, WHO WAS VERY ACCESSIBLE, WHO WAS ABLE TO RESPOND TO MY
24 NEEDS FAIRLY QUICKLY BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE ALL THESE HIGH
25 CASELOADS THAT THEY HAVE NOW PI WOULD ASK FOR YOU GUYS TO

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1 REALLY CONSIDER OUR REQUESTS BECAUSE IT REALLY DOES MAKE AN
2 IMPACT IN OUR LIVES. AS I SAID, I FIRSTHAND HAVE EXPERIENCED
3 SOME OF THE BENEFITS THAT THESE ATTORNEYS REALLY MAKE IN OUR
4 LIVES. AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME TODAY. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. THAT WAS A QUICK
9 10 SECONDS. GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. THIS IS REALLY A GREAT
10 ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA. CALL FOR THE STATE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE TO
11 APPROVE 33 MILLION DOLLARS TO REDUCE CASELOADS FOR DEPENDENCY
12 COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL MADE BY THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT
13 CHIEF JUSTICE. YOU KNOW WHY THIS IS SO GREAT? BECAUSE A FEW
14 YEARS AGO THERE WAS AN EDITORIAL IN THE "DAILY BREEZE" AND
15 THERE WAS ANOTHER STORY IN THE L.A. TIMES ABOUT JUDGES IN THE
16 COUNTY. AND THE COUNTY JUDGES, AND I'M READING FROM THE
17 EDITORIAL, "ON TOP OF THEIR ANNUAL SIX FIGURE STATE SALARY,
18 THE COUNTY PAYS EACH JUDGE AN ADDITIONAL 47,726 DOLLARS." NOW,
19 I THINK THIS STORY WAS FROM LIKE MARCH OF 2010. I'M NOT
20 EXACTLY SURE.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, DO YOU WANT TO TALK TO THE
23 ITEM, PLEASE?

24

25 **ARNOLD SACHS:** HE'S ASKING FOR 33 MILLION DOLLARS.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WILL YOU TALK TO THE ITEM?

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** HE'S ASKING FOR 33 MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET REQUEST
5 TO REDUCE CASELOADS FOR DEPENDENCY COURT. THE COUNTY HAS 20
6 MILLION DOLLARS TO PAY EXCESSIVE FEES OR EXCESSIVE, AN EXTRA
7 PAYMENT TO THE JUDGES. SO WHY DON'T YOU PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE
8 YOUR MOUTH IS?

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS, WILL YOU SPEAK TO THE ITEM?

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** CHILDREN ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT. WE'RE GOING TO
13 HEAR THIS SPEECH THAT THE CHILDREN AND THE CHILDREN AND THE
14 CHILDREN'S NEEDS. AND THEY NEED THE MONEY FOR THESE, TO REDUCE
15 CASELOADS. SO YOU GOT 20 MILLION DOLLARS AND YOU'RE GOING TO
16 SPEND IT ON JUDGES AND NOT REDUCE CASELOADS. THE ITEM IS WHERE
17 DO YOU GET THE FUNDING FROM? THIS IS HOW YOU SPEND YOUR MONEY.
18 AND THEN YOU TURN AROUND AND YOU CRY THAT YOU DON'T HAVE THE
19 MONEY. THE ITEM AGAIN --

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NOBODY'S CRYING BUT YOU.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NOT YET, BUT WE'RE GOING TO HEAR SOME BOO HOO
24 HOOING IN A LITTLE WHILE YOU START TALKING. SO IF YOU HAVE 20
25 MILLION DOLLARS TO SPEND ON THE JUDGES, WHY DON'T YOU CHECK

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1 THAT OFF AND ALLOCATE THAT MONEY TO LEGAL HELP? YOU JUST HEARD
2 THESE TWO SPEAKERS SAY HOW DESPERATE IT'S NEEDED; 20 MILLION
3 DOLLARS, YOU'RE ASKING FOR 33. YOU'VE GOT THE 33 FROM THE
4 STATE AND THE 20 MILLION FROM THE COUNTY, THAT WOULD BE 53
5 MILLION DOLLARS. THAT WOULD HELP REDUCE CASELOADS WAY DOWN. SO
6 THIS IS WHAT THE EDITORIAL SAID. THERE WAS ANOTHER EDITORIAL
7 HOW DO YOU HELP GET GOVERNMENT WORKING BETTER? GET INVOLVED.
8 ASK SOME QUESTIONS. I'M ASKING A QUESTION. YOU'RE PAYING THEM
9 ALMOST 47.8, 48,000 DOLLARS EXTRA ON TOP OF THEIR PAY. IS IT
10 NECESSARY? NO. IS IT NECESSARY TO HAVE COUNSEL FOR THESE
11 CHILDREN? YES. SO WHY DON'T YOU PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE YOUR
12 MOUTH IS AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT EXTRA PAYMENT TO THE
13 JUDGES. I ADDRESSED THE TOPIC.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY MADE A OF MORE EFFICIENT CASE IN A
18 MINUTE AND 30 SECONDS, THANK YOU, LADIES.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BY FAR. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US AND IT IS
21 ESSENTIAL WE WANT-

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE ONE LATE SIGNUP HERE, MR.
24 PREVEN?

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT.

2

3 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, IT'S ERIC PREVEN. I HEARD A COUPLE WEEKS
4 AGO IT WAS 188 CASES PER ATTORNEY SO OF COURSE THIS IS MUCH
5 NEEDED. WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING TO GET CONTROL OF THIS SO THAT
6 CHILDREN CAN HAVE REASONABLE REPRESENTATION. BUT ON MARCH
7 28TH, JUST A COUPLE DAYS AGO, THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION WAS
8 ON A VERY SIMILAR SUBJECT ABOUT OUR D.C.F.S. AND THE RELATED
9 DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE DEALING WITH CHILD PROTECTION. AS YOU
10 KNOW, THEY ARE GOING TO BE PUBLISHING SOMETHING IN MID-APRIL.
11 THE HIGH-WIDE SHOT ON WHAT THEY HAD TO SAY IS VERY, VERY BAD
12 NEWS, OF COURSE. WE HAVE WHAT THEY DESCRIBE AS A SERIOUS
13 CRISIS. AND SO THE BIG IDEA IS WE NEED TO REDUCE THE VOLUME OF
14 CHARACTERS COMING INTO THIS SYSTEM BECAUSE THE OUTCOMES OF
15 THIS SYSTEM, BY NOBODY'S INTENTION, BUT BY A SERIES OF SILOED
16 GROUPS THAT ARE NOT WORKING WELL TOGETHER, ARE NOT HELPING. IN
17 FACT, THEY'RE MAKING THE SITUATION OF WORSE. AND IT'S AN
18 INTERESTING STATISTIC THAT I HEARD AND GASPED AFTER HEARING.
19 5,000 CASES WERE OPENED SINCE DECEMBER 2013 IN THIS VERY
20 GROUP, D.C.F.S., WHICH IS A PAINFUL NUMBER TO CONSIDER WHEN
21 YOU REALIZE THAT ONE OF THE SURE FIRE WAYS -- NOW, ALL THOSE
22 KIDS ARE NOT GOING INTO FOSTER CARE, TO BE CLEAR. THERE'S
23 THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING. BUT WE NEED -- AND THEY HAVE
24 RECOMMENDED A CZAR WHO CAN HAVE SOMETHING CALLED ZERO-BASED
25 BUDGETING POWER TO INTEGRATE THESE FORCES, JUST LIKE THE

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1 ALLIED SUPREME COMMANDER DID DURING WORLD WAR II. THEY
2 ACTUALLY USED THAT ANALOGY, WHICH I THOUGHT WAS VERY POWERFUL
3 WHERE NO SMALL NATION OR DEPARTMENT CAN GO INTO BUSINESS FOR
4 THEMSELVES WHEN THERE'S SUCH A CONCENTRATED EFFORT ON DOING A
5 MUCH BETTER JOB THAN WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING. I CAN ONLY SAY
6 THAT THE LAWYER PIECE IS ONE PIECE. MR. SACHS IS ABSOLUTELY
7 RIGHT. I KNOW IT'S NOT COMFORTABLE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT FOR ALL
8 OF YOU, BUT THAT CASE WAS CALLED STURGEON VERSUS THE COUNTY OF
9 LOS ANGELES.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE WELL AWARE OF IT.

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH YOU REMEMBER IT, I'M SURE YOU REMEMBER IT
14 BECAUSE YOU PAID A MILLION DOLLARS TO JONES DAY TO DEFEND
15 AGAINST THAT CASE. AND YOU SAVED HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF
16 DOLLARS FOR THE COUNTY. AND THAT MONEY WENT TO JUDGES' BENEFIT
17 PACKAGES. NOW, MR. SACHS HAS MADE THE POINT, AND I HAVE TO
18 AGREE WITH HIM THAT WE NEED THE SAME KIND OF ZERO-BASED BUDGET
19 ANALYSIS AND AUTHORITY THAT AS WE ALL KNOW SITS RIGHT HERE
20 AMONG THE FIVE OF YOU. YOU ALL HAVE WHAT WE'RE GOING THE GIVE
21 TO SOME CZAR ONCE WE FIGURE OUT WHO IT IS. I ASK THEM PLEASE
22 MAKE A CONCRETE RECOMMENDATION BECAUSE LORD KNOWS WE HEARD
23 ABOUT LET'S GET AN INSPECTOR GENERAL, WE WAITED FOR A YEAR AND
24 A HALF IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN TO GET MAX HUNTSMAN FROM ACROSS THE
25 STREET DOWN THE HALL. THAT WAS NOT THE OVERSIGHT WE WERE

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1 HOPING FOR. OF COURSE WE'RE HOPING HE'LL DO A GOOD JOB. BUT
2 HE'S ROLLING OUT A GROUP THAT LOOKS ALMOST IDENTICAL TO THE
3 O.I.R. AS EVERYBODY KNOWS AND IS SORT OF LOOKING DOWN GOING
4 HMM, THAT WAS A SAVVY MOVE BY THE SUPERVISORS. I'M NOT SURE
5 HOW THAT'S GOING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM IN OUR SHERIFF'S
6 DEPARTMENT. BUT THIS IS NOT ABOUT OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
7 THIS IS ABOUT ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING YOUNG PEOPLE IN A SYSTEM
8 THAT'S BROKEN. SO THE MOST IMPORTANT PIECE IS LET'S NOT SEND
9 KIDS INTO THE SYSTEM. LET'S DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO BRING OUR
10 PEOPLE INTO THE COMMUNITY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS BEFORE KIDS
11 ARE TAKEN. AND ALL THOSE PROBLEMS WE'VE HEARD ETCETERA. THANK
12 YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, YOU'VE AFFORDED THE SPEAKERS
17 TO BE HEARD ON THE MATTER. THE BOTTOM LINE HERE IS WE WISH TO
18 LEND OUR VOICES INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY TO THE EFFORT TO
19 MAKE SURE THOSE YOUNGSTERS, SOME 75,000 IN THE STATE OF
20 CALIFORNIA, A DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBER OF WHOM ARE IN THE
21 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THAT IS 40,000, APPROXIMATELY 30,000,
22 APPROXIMATELY, WHO ARE IN THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM GET PROPER
23 REPRESENTATION THAT WILL PREVENT FROM GETTING IN THE SYSTEM
24 AND THOSE WHO NEED PROPER LEGAL REPRESENTATION WHILE THEY ARE

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1 CAN BE AFFORDED SUCH. IT'S CONSTITUTIONAL, IT'S PRACTICAL AND
2 MEANINGFUL. AND I URGE AND I VOTE FOR THE MATTER BEFORE US.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE ITEM BEFORE US IS MOVED BY
5 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
6 OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT ITEM 52, AN ITEM HELD FOR
11 DISCUSSION? WE HAVE SOME SPEAKERS SIGNED UP. I'D ASK EDWARD
12 CHAVEZ, LAMBRENI WADDELL, AND JIM MANGIA, WOULD YOU JOIN US,
13 PLEASE? WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO FIRST, PLEASE. STATE YOUR
14 NAME FOR THE RECORD. TWO MINUTES.

15

16 **EDWARD CHAVEZ:** I'M EDWARD CHAVEZ. I'M EDWARD CHAVEZ, 1-LA.
17 HEALTH ENROLLMENT COORDINATOR IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'M
18 A MEMBER OF MARY IMMACULATE PARISH IN PACOIMA. WE APPRECIATE
19 THE PARTNERSHIP YOU CREATED WITH 1-L.A. AND S.E.I.U. UNITED
20 HEALTH CARE WORKERS TO GET PEOPLE ENROLLED INTO THE LOW-INCOME
21 HEALTH PLANS. SINCE MARCH OF 2013, 1-L.A. TRAINED 175
22 VOLUNTEERS FROM 25 OF OUR MEMBER CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES, AND
23 COMMUNITY CENTERS TO DO OUTREACH, SCREENING AND ENROLLMENT OF
24 FAMILIES IN HEALTH PLANS. WE'VE ASSISTED 6,552 INDIVIDUALS
25 ENROLL IN A HEALTH PROGRAM AND TWO-THIRDS OF THEM IN MEDI-CAL

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1 OR COVERED CALIFORNIA. NOW WE FACE AN EVEN LARGER CHALLENGE.
2 AS WE HAVE CONDUCTED OUTREACH, SCREENING AND ENROLLMENT, WE'VE
3 IDENTIFIED THOUSANDS THAT DID NOT QUALIFY FOR MEDI-CAL
4 EXPANSION OR COVER CALIFORNIA LARGELY DUE TO THEIR LEGAL
5 STATUS. FULLY 1/3 OF THE PEOPLE WE ENCOUNTERED WOULD ONLY
6 QUALIFY FOR PRIMARY CARE COVERAGE THAT IS FUNDED BY THE
7 COUNTY'S PROPOSED LOW INCOME HEALTH PROGRAM FOR THE REMAINING
8 UNINSURED. HEALTHY WAY L.A.- 2.0. DR. KATZ IS COMMITTED TO THE
9 CREATION OF A REAL HEALTH COVERAGE PROGRAM FOR THIS SEGMENT OF
10 OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S HIS JOB TO MAKE SURE THE FUNDS YOU PROVIDE
11 HIM ARE USED WIDELY AND EFFECTIVELY. AS TAXPAYERS OF L.A.
12 COUNTY, IT'S OUR JOB TO ENSURE OUR TAX DOLLARS ARE NOT WASTED.
13 WE'VE SEEN THE POSITIVE IMPACT ENROLLMENT IN A PRIMARY HEALTH
14 BENEFITS PLAN WE HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AT MARY IMMACULATE
15 PARISH, WE SCREENED OVER 1,000 FAMILIES. AND AS WE TALKED WITH
16 THEM, WE RECOGNIZED WE WERE TEACHING FAMILIES HOW TO DEVELOP A
17 CULTURE OF COVERAGE OF USING HEALTH COVERAGE. PEOPLE CAN SHIFT
18 FROM "I HAVE TO GO TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM BECAUSE I'M SICK" TO
19 I "I CAN GO TO THE DOCTOR TO FOR A CHECKUP SO I CAN STAY
20 HEALTHY". AND THIS CULTURE OF COVERAGE WILL TAKE TIME TO
21 DEVELOP BUT WILL SAVE THE COUNTY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THE
22 SOONER PEOPLE GET ACCESS TO COVERAGE, THE SOONER THEY WILL
23 FORM NEW AND MORE COST-EFFECTIVE WAYS OF UTILIZING HEALTHCARE.
24 PEOPLE WILL LEARN THAT PRIMARY CARE SERVICES CAN KEEP THEM OUT
25 OF THE EMERGENCY ROOMS. AND IF YOU COMMIT TO THE RESOURCES,

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1 WE'LL CONTINUE TO EDUCATE PEOPLE AND CREATE A NEW CULTURE OF
2 COVERAGE IN LOS ANGELES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF YOU CAN WRAP IT UP, YOUR TIME'S
5 EXPIRED.

6

7 **EDWARD CHAVEZ:** TOGETHER WE'LL SAVE THE COUNTY MONEY.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **LAMBERENI WADDELL:** I'M LAMBRENI WADDELL WITH 1-L.A. I'VE
12 TRAINED OVER 175 OF OUR TEAM MEMBERS THROUGHOUT THE SAN
13 FERNANDO, SAN GABRIEL VALLEYS, MIDCITY LOS ANGELES AND SOUTH
14 LOS ANGELES. WE SEE A GROWING INTEREST IN THE COMMUNITY IN
15 GETTING HEALTHCARE COVERAGE. A YEAR AGO WE AVERAGED 100
16 FAMILIES AT OUR ENROLLMENT EVENT AND THIS PAST SUNDAY OVER 600
17 PEOPLE SHOWED UP IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY TO ENROLL IN A
18 HEALTH PROGRAM. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT TOGETHER WE CAN
19 CAPITALIZE ON THE MOMENTUM CREATED BY THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT
20 AND AIM IT TOWARD CONTINUED OUTREACH TO THE REMAINING
21 UNINSURED. HOWEVER, WE NEED TO BE SURE THAT OUR EFFORTS DO NOT
22 SIMPLY LEAVE FAMILIES TO BE ON A WAITING LIST BECAUSE THE
23 FUNDS FOR HEALTHY WAY L.A.-2.0 ARE INSUFFICIENT TO MEET THE
24 DEMAND. WITH ONE MILLION COUNTY RESIDENTS ESTIMATED TO REMAIN
25 UNINSURED, WE CHALLENGE OURSELVES, THE CLINICS, D.H.S. AND THE

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1 COUNTY TO SET AN ENROLLMENT GOAL OF 300,000 FOR HEALTHY WAY
2 L.A.-2.0 WITHIN THE FIRST TWO YEARS. AND THREE THINGS ARE
3 NECESSARY TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. ONE IS ADEQUATE FUNDING. LAST
4 YEAR, THE COUNTY SPENT 55 MILLION ON THE HEALTHY WAY L.A.
5 UNMATCH PROGRAM AND 11 MILLION IN C.C.E.P. FUNDS. HOWEVER, THE
6 11 MILLION IN C.C.E.P. FUNDS IS SUNSETTING. THE RESULT? WE'LL
7 HAVE A NEW PRIMARY CARE HEALTHCARE BENEFITS PROGRAM, MORE
8 PEOPLE INTERESTED IN COVERAGE, BUT FEWER DOLLARS. WE NEED TO
9 RENEW THAT 11 MILLION DOLLARS FORMALLY USED FOR C.C.E.P. AND
10 ROLL IT INTO THE BUDGET FOR HEALTHY WAY L.A.-2.0. GIVEN A
11 REASONABLE CAPITATED RATE, WE NEED TO ASK OURSELVES HOW MUCH
12 WOULD IT COST TO ENROLL 300,000 INTO THE NEW COUNTY HEALTH
13 COVERAGE PROGRAM? WE MUST START A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHAT IT
14 WOULD TAKE TO BE "THE" FIRST COUNTY IN AMERICA TO MAKE
15 HEALTHCARE UNIVERSAL. CREATION OF A CULTURE OF COVERAGE AMONG
16 THE UNINSURED THAT QUALIFY FOR A NEW LOW INCOME HEALTH PLAN,
17 THE MORE PEOPLE THAT ENROLL AND USE THE COUNTY PRIMARY
18 HEALTHCARE BENEFITS PROGRAM, THE MORE MONEY WE'LL SAVE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

21

22 **JIM MANGIA:** THANK YOU. JIM MANGIA FROM SAINT JOHN'S WORLD
23 CHILD CENTER. FIRST I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
24 FOR YOUR ONGOING COMMITMENT TO THE HEALTHY WAY L.A. UNMATCH
25 PROGRAM. AND THE FACT THAT THIS COUNTY IS ONE OF THE FEW

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1 AROUND THE COUNTRY THAT PROVIDE SERVICES TO FOLKS WHO ARE
2 RESIDUALLY UNINSURED. AS WE KNOW, THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT OR
3 AS WE AFFECTIONATELY CALL IT OBAMACARE WAS A SUCCESS WITH MORE
4 THAN SEVEN MILLION AMERICANS NOW SIGNED UP FOR COVERAGE. AND
5 THE FACT IS THERE WILL BE CLOSE TO A MILLION RESIDENTS IN LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY WHO WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE AFFORDABLE
7 CARE ACT. AND SO WE'RE HERE TODAY TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT, TO
8 NOT ONLY FUND -- CONTINUE TO FUND THE COMMUNITY CLINIC
9 EXPANSION PROJECT, WHICH WAS FUNDED 3-1/2 YEARS AGO, BUT TO
10 EXPAND THE FUNDING FOR THE UNMATCHED PROGRAM SO WE CAN SERVE
11 MORE AND MORE RESIDENTS. COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS IN LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY SAW A 40 PERCENT INCREASE IN VISITS LAST YEAR.
13 MANY OF THOSE WERE BOTH INSURED, NEWLY INSURED AND MANY FOLKS
14 WHO ARE STILL UNINSURED. AND THERE IS NOW A CULTURE IN LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY WHERE MANY, MANY RESIDENTS ARE COMING IN
16 BECAUSE THEY THINK THEY'RE COVERED BY THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT
17 WHEN, IN FACT, THEY'RE NOT. AND SO WE ASK THE BOARD TO
18 CONTINUE YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE UNINSURED IN LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY AND TO CONTINUE TO BE AN EXAMPLE AROUND THE COUNTRY FOR
20 THE EXPANSION OF COVERAGE TO FOLKS WHO WILL REMAIN UNINSURED
21 UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE SOME ADDITIONAL
24 SPEAKERS. TINA KIM, ARNOLD SACHS AND ERIC PREVEN. GO AHEAD,
25 TINA.

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1

2 **TINA KIM:** GOOD MORNING. I'M TINA KIM. I'M THE ASSISTANT
3 DIRECTOR OF POLICY AT THE COMMUNITY CLINIC ASSOCIATION OF LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY. C.C.L.A.C. REPRESENTS 55 FEDERALLY QUALIFIED
5 HEALTH CENTERS AND COMMUNITY CLINICS THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY. THESE CLINICS OPERATE OVER 200 CLINICAL SITES,
7 PROVIDING MEDICAL, DENTAL, MENTAL HEALTH AND PHARMACY SERVICES
8 TO OVER ONE MILLION UNDUPLICATED PATIENTS EVERY YEAR. IN
9 REGARDS TO ITEM 52, WE THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON
10 BEHALF OF C.C.L.A.C. AND ITS MEMBERS FOR ITS ONGOING
11 COMMITMENT TO CLINICS AND SUPPORTING ITS ROLES AS TRUSTED
12 PROVIDERS OF MUCH NEEDED HIGH QUALITY CARE. WE ARE ALSO
13 APPRECIATIVE OF OUR PARTNERS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
14 SERVICES. WE THANK D.H.S. FOR WORKING WITH C.C.L.A.C. AND OUR
15 MEMBERSHIP IN OUR SHARED QUEST TO THOUGHTFULLY DEVELOP A
16 HEALTHCARE PROGRAM THAT WILL EXPAND ACCESS TO HEALTH SERVICES,
17 ENHANCE THE HEALTHCARE EXPERIENCES OF THOSE WHO ACCESS IT AND
18 ULTIMATELY REDUCE SYSTEM COSTS THROUGH PRIMARY CARE AND
19 DELIVER APPROPRIATE CARE TO OUR RESIDENTS. WE ARE COMMITTED TO
20 DEVELOPING WITH D.H.S. A COMPREHENSIVE, ORGANIZED AND
21 INTEGRATED HEALTH ACCESS PROGRAM FOR THE UNINSURED. WE ARE
22 VERY WELL AWARE OF THE LOCAL REALITY THAT THERE'S MORE DEMAND
23 IN OUR COMMUNITIES THAN THE SUPPLY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES
24 THAT CAN ACTUALLY BE PROVIDED. WE ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING OUT
25 WITH D.H.S. HOW TO MAXIMIZE OUR RESOURCES BY LEVERAGING

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1 EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS AFFORDED US SUCCESS IN PAST
2 PARTNERSHIPS AND BY PROACTIVELY ADDRESSING ONGOING AREAS OF
3 IMPROVEMENT TOGETHER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3
8 AND ALSO A CANDIDATE FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S THIRD
9 DISTRICT SEAT. THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACTS IS UPON US. AND I
10 THINK THAT THE WINDOW JUST CLOSED FOR THE SIGNUPS. AND NOW IF
11 I READ IN THE L.A. TIMES CORRECTLY, COUNTY OFFICIALS ARE
12 FACING, THAT'S YOU, HOW ARE WE GOING TO SERVE APPROXIMATELY A
13 MILLION PEOPLE WHO DID NOT GET IN AND DO NOT HAVE THAT
14 COVERAGE? AND OF COURSE THAT'S ON ALL OF OUR MINDS. THESE
15 PARTNERSHIPS WITH SOME OF THESE GROUPS, THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE
16 NEED TO BE MINING FOR THE KIND OF CARE THAT NEEDS TO BE
17 DELIVERED. I JUST WANT TO CONNECT TWO IDEAS, WHICH IS THAT AT
18 THE MOMENT, GOING TO THE COUNTY HOSPITAL -- AND I HAVE THIS ON
19 FIRSTHAND AUTHORITY, NOT FROM ME, BUT FROM SOMEBODY WHO I KNOW
20 WELL, BEING TREATED FOR AN ORDINARY KIND OF RUN-OF-THE-MILL
21 GALLBLADDER SITUATION, IF THERE IS SUCH A THING, HAS GONE
22 BADLY. THE CLINIC AND NET SYSTEM TOOK HER TO THE HOSPITAL
23 FINALLY AND THEN AFTER THE WOMAN ARRIVED, SHE GOT LOADED INTO
24 A FAIRLY CONFUSING AND WHAT HAS BEEN A CYCLE OF VISITS AND
25 COMING BACK AND COMING BACK, AND EACH AND EVERY TIME A BILL IS

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1 PREPARED AND ADDED TO WHAT IS NOW YOU KNOW I THINK IT'S OVER
2 50,000 DOLLARS. NOW THIS IS A PERSON WHO HAS VIRTUALLY
3 NOTHING, AS FAR AS I UNDERSTAND IT. AND SO I KNOW THAT OVER
4 THE LAST COUPLE YEARS WE HAVE MIGRATED AWAY FROM EMERGENCY
5 WAIT TIME REPORTING AND ALL THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT COULD BE
6 DESCRIBED AS NOT THE THINGS WE WANT TO ADVERTISE IF WE WANT TO
7 ATTRACT BUSINESS, SO I'LL SAY SOMETHING POSITIVE, WHICH IS I
8 DO THINK THE COUNTY SYSTEM HAS A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT TO OFFER
9 AND I KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ROLLING OUT MARKETING ABOUT
10 THAT. BUT I THINK WE NEED TO ALSO BE TRUTHFUL WITH OURSELVES.
11 AND I KNOW DR. KATZ IS REVERED WIDELY IN THIS GROUP AND IN THE
12 COMMUNITY, EXCEPT FOR GENEVIEVE AND OTHERS, BUT THE POINT IS
13 THAT I THINK THAT THIS KIND OF A MEETING NEEDS TO HAVE A
14 PRESENTATION FROM HIM. WE NEED TO NOT DELAY THIS MEETING AS
15 WE'VE BEEN DOING FOR THE LAST COUPLE MONTHS. I KNOW THERE'S
16 THINGS IN FLUX, BUT EVEN WHEN THINGS ARE IN FLUX IT'S
17 IMPORTANT TO BE UPDATED AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO STAY ON
18 IT. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. WE ARE FLYING.
23 THIS ITEM MENTIONS VARIOUS ISSUES RELATING TO THE COUNTY'S
24 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. SO I DO HAVE A REAL
25 PROBLEM. BASED ON THE COUNTY'S HISTORY, NOW I KNOW SPEAKERS

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1 HAVE COME UP AND PRAISED YOU LIKE IT'S UNBELIEVABLE. YOU THINK
2 YOU'RE IN A DIFFERENT WORLD. AND I HATE TO BE THE BEARER OF
3 BAD NEWS AGAIN, BUT I KEEP IN THE BACK OF MY MIND THE FIASCO
4 THAT WAS M.L.K. HOSPITAL. THE 300 MILLION DOLLARS YOU WERE
5 GETTING FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND HOW YOU BEAT THAT
6 HORSE TO DEATH. AND THEN YOU BEAT IT SOME MORE. YOU BEAT IT SO
7 BADLY THE HOSPITAL HAD TO CLOSE. SO NOW YOU'RE GOING TO GET
8 MORE MONEY. SAME FIVE SUPERVISOR -- WELL, SAME 4-1/2
9 SUPERVISORS. WE KNOW SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WAS UP IN
10 LEGISLATURE. AND HE WAS EAR TO THE GROUND LISTENING TO WHAT
11 WAS GOING ON AT M.L.K. HE JUST COULDN'T SPEAK. BUT IF YOU
12 IGNORE HISTORY, YOU'RE DOOMED TO REPEAT YOURSELF. MY CONCERNS
13 OF THE RUSH, AND WE DON'T HAVE THE REPORT WE GET TO HEAR. BUT
14 WE USED TO HEAR ABOUT THE RUSH TO SIGN PEOPLE UP. SO THERE'S
15 GOT TO BE A LOT OF MONEY INVOLVED, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO GET
16 A TON OF MONEY, A GRIP OF MONEY TO USE YOUR VERNACULAR. AND
17 JUST AGAIN BASED ON GETTING 300 MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR FROM
18 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO RUN ONE HOSPITAL, HELPING THE SYSTEM
19 IN ONE HOSPITAL AND IT ENDS UP WITH A MONIKER OF KILLER DREW,
20 KILLER KING HOSPITAL. AND AGAIN I KNOW I SAID THIS A FEW
21 TIMES. IT WASN'T FOR THE CORN BREAD. SO YOU COULDN'T SPEND 300
22 MILLION DOLLARS ADEQUATELY. YOU'RE GOING TO GET MORE MONEY.
23 ALL FOR LESS SERVICES. YOU NEED TO BE HERE. IF YOU WANT TO BE
24 CONCERNED, YOU NEED TO BE HERE AND WATCH THESE PEOPLE LIKE TWO
25 HAWKS BECAUSE ONE HAWK HAS A TENDENCY TO TURN ITS HEAD AND

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1 THAT'S WHEN THEY JUMP. KEEP THAT IN MIND, 300 MILLION DOLLARS
2 IN M.L.K.? CLOSED.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. DR. KATZ?

5

6 **DR. KATZ:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS, DR. MITCH KATZ, THE
7 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, AND I HAVE THE
8 GOOD FORTUNE TO BE SURROUNDED BY SOME OF THE BEST DEPARTMENT
9 HEADS I'VE EVER WORKED WITH TO SHARE THIS OVERALL STRATEGY FOR
10 THE A.C.A. I WANT TO FOCUS AS I'VE DONE WITH ALL THE UPDATES
11 ON THOSE THINGS THAT HAVE CHANGED. SO WE CONTINUE TO UPDATE
12 THE HEALTHY WAY L.A. ENROLLMENT WHICH DIRECTOR SPILLER WILL
13 TALK ABOUT WHAT A GREAT JOB HER DEPARTMENT DID. THE FIGURE
14 CURRENTLY IS UP ALL THE WAY UP TO 327,000 PEOPLE. NOW, ALL OF
15 THOSE PEOPLE TODAY ARE MEDICAID. BUT THE NUMBER'S STILL
16 IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT HELPS TO BOOST THE REVENUE TO THE COUNTY.
17 THIS IS OUR MOST LATEST DATE ON TRANSITION TO MEDI-CAL. SO
18 BECAUSE WE DID SUCH A GREAT JOB OF ENROLLING PEOPLE, THEY
19 EASILY MOVED INTO MEDI-CAL HAD WE NOT DONE THAT, THEY WOULD
20 HAVE HAD A MORE DIFFICULT PROCESS. AND IT ALSO MEANS THAT
21 WE'RE GOING TO SEE A GREAT DEAL OF MEDI-CAL REVENUE TO THE
22 COUNTY. STATEWIDE, UPDATE COVERED CALIFORNIA. WAS PAST A
23 MILLION MEMBERS. AND THE MEDICAID, SO PEOPLE WHO WERE
24 TRANSITIONING FROM PROGRAMS LIKE OURS ACROSS THE STATE ALMOST
25 1.8 MILLION PEOPLE. IN TERMS OF THE COUNTY COVERED CALIFORNIA

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1 PROJECTED 177; 602 PERSONS IN L.A. WOULD APPLY AND ACTUALLY
2 THEY HAVE BEEN OVER -- THE NUMBER HAS BEEN OVER THAT ESTIMATE
3 AT 241,000 PEOPLE. YOU KNOW OUR GOAL IS TO PROVIDE THE RIGHT
4 CARE AT THE RIGHT TIME AT THE RIGHT LOCATION BY THE RIGHT
5 PROVIDER. TO TURN OUR DEPARTMENT FROM A DEPARTMENT THAT WAS
6 ONCE ALL ABOUT EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT USE WHERE PEOPLE WE WERE
7 TOLD WERE SICK "GO TO THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT" COUNTER TO
8 WHAT ALL OTHER MODERN HEALTH SYSTEMS WERE DOING, WHICH IS
9 TRYING TO GET PEOPLE OUT OF THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT. D.H.S.
10 HISTORICALLY SAID GO TO THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT BECAUSE THERE
11 WERE NO PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOMES. THAT HAS CHANGED.
12 THERE IS A NEW DIFFICULT ISSUE WHICH YOU MAY HEAR ABOUT FROM
13 YOUR OWN CONSTITUENTS. WHICH IS NOW THAT PEOPLE HAVE INSURANCE
14 THROUGH MEDICAID, SOMETIMES IT'S WITH A DIFFERENT PROVIDER
15 THAN US. THAT MEANS SOMEBODY ELSE IS GETTING PAID FOR TAKING
16 CARE OF THAT PERSON. NOW IT USED TO BE THAT HISTORICAL D.H.S.
17 DIDN'T ASK ANYBODY ABOUT THEIR INSURANCE STATUS AND THE
18 ASSUMPTION WAS JUST D.H.S., WE'RE THE PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT.
19 AND IN A WORLD WHERE NOBODY HAS INSURANCE, THAT MAKES SENSE.
20 AS PHYSICIANS, WE DON'T WANT TO FOCUS ON FINANCES, WE DON'T
21 WANT TO BE WALLET BIOPSYERS, WE WANT TO TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE.
22 BUT IN A NEW ERA, WHERE SOMEBODY ELSE IS GETTING PAID TO
23 PROVIDE CARE, WE HAVE TO SEND PEOPLE TO THAT PLACE. WE, THE
24 COUNTY, CANNOT BE PAYING FOR THE CARE OF PEOPLE WHEN SOME
25 OTHER PROVIDER IS GETTING PAID. SO WE'VE NOW PUT IN A MAJOR

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1 SWITCH, WHICH IS THAT PEOPLE ARE ASKED WHETHER OR NOT, RIGHT
2 AT THE START, BEFORE THEY SEE THE OUTPATIENT PROVIDER, WHETHER
3 OR NOT THEIR MEDICAL HOME IS WITH D.H.S. IF IT'S NOT, THEY
4 CANNOT BE SEEN UNLESS THEY'RE WILLING TO SWITCH. SO IF THEY
5 SAY "I'M WITH ANOTHER PROVIDER BUT I'D LIKE TO SWITCH TO YOU",
6 WE WILL HELP THEM TO SWITCH. BUT IF THEY SAY, "NO, I WANT TO
7 GO TO MY PROVIDER" AND I HAD A PATIENT JUST LIKE LAST WEEK WHO
8 WAS SCHEDULED BUT WHO THROUGH THE INSURANCE EXCHANGE HAD
9 CHOSEN ANOTHER PROVIDER, AND THEY DID NOT WISH TO CHANGE
10 SYSTEMS, AND SO THEY WERE DIRECTED TO ANOTHER PROVIDER TO GET
11 THEIR CARE. YOU MAY HEAR THROUGH YOUR OFFICE, WELL I'VE ALWAYS
12 GONE TO D.H.S. BUT THEY TOLD ME THAT I COULDN'T BE SEEN. AND
13 THE RIGHT ANSWER IS: IF YOU WERE SWITCHED TO D.H.S. AS YOUR
14 PROVIDER, YOU CAN DO THAT, BUT IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO THE
15 COUNTY TO PAY FOR YOUR CARE IF SOMEONE ELSE IS GETTING THE
16 MONEY FROM THE STATE. WE CONTINUE TO INCREASE OUR
17 EMPANELMENTS, INCLUDING NOW WE CAN EMPANEL PEOPLE ON A GO-
18 FORWARD BASIS. I WANT TO MENTION SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN PART
19 OF THE BRIEFINGS TO THE HEALTH DEPUTIES, WHICH IS SOME
20 PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE HEALTHY WAY L.A. UNMATCHED PROGRAM.
21 YOU KNOW THIS HAS BEEN A PROGRAM THAT THE COUNTY HAS HAD FOR
22 MANY, MANY YEARS. UNDER THE CURRENT PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE WITH
23 OUR GREAT COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS, MOST OF WHICH ARE
24 FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS, WE PAY PEOPLE PER VISIT 94
25 DOLLARS WHILE THE CLINICS PROVIDE GREAT CARE, WE'VE NEVER

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1 ASKED THEM TO TRULY BE PRIMARY CARE HOMES WITH THE RESULT THAT
2 PATIENTS MAY GO TO CLINIC "A" ON ONE WEEK. THEY MAY GO TO
3 CLINIC "B" ON THE SECOND WEEK. THEY MAY COME TO US ON THE
4 THIRD WEEK. THERE'S NO RECORD OF WHO THEIR PROVIDER IS. THERE
5 IS NO GUARANTEE OF CONTINUITY OF CARE. THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT
6 THAT THEY BE TAKEN THROUGH AN ELIGIBILITY TO SEE WHETHER OR
7 NOT MAYBE THEY WOULD QUALIFY FOR MEDICAID. SO WHAT WE ARE
8 PROPOSING TO DO, WITH YOUR SUPPORT, AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT
9 IS STILL -- WE'RE WORKING OUT THE DETAILS AND WE'RE IN CLOSE
10 COLLABORATION WITH THE COMMUNITY CLINICS -- IS TO CREATE A NEW
11 SYSTEM THAT WOULD START IN THE FALL THAT WOULD PROVIDE
12 CONTINUITY OF CARE. WE WOULD MOVE AWAY FROM A FEE-FOR-SERVICE
13 MODEL AND PAY PEOPLE TO BE -- PAY CLINICS TO BE THE PRIMARY
14 PROVIDER ON A LONGITUDINAL BASIS. THIS WOULD REDUCE
15 DUPLICATION AND I THINK DECREASE USE OF EMERGENCY ROOMS. AND
16 IT WOULD ALSO SIMPLIFY BILLING AND ENROLLMENT. THIS SLIDE IT
17 GIVES YOU SOME BASIC SENSE OF THE DIFFERENCE. IN TERMS OF THE
18 BENEFITS, THE BENEFITS ARE THE SAME AS THEY'VE ALWAYS BEEN,
19 BUT WE'RE GOING TO GO FROM THE BASIS OF PAYING PEOPLE FOR 94
20 DOLLARS A VISIT TO A CAPITATED PAYMENT. THIS WILL NOT CHANGE
21 THE COST OF THE PROGRAM. THIS WILL NOT CHANGE THE NUMBER OF
22 PEOPLE WHO ARE BEING SERVED BY THE PROGRAM. WHAT WE'RE SAYING
23 IS WE WANT TO TAKE A PROGRAM THAT HAS BEEN HERE FOR QUITE A
24 NUMBER OF YEARS AND MAKE IT MORE EFFICIENT, DECREASE THE
25 DUPLICATION AND REALLY ENCOURAGE PRIMARY CARE AS OPPOSED TO

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1 MORE EXPENSIVE EMERGENCY ROOM CARE. I GIVE ONE MORE EXAMPLE
2 FOR MY OWN WORK WHEN I WAS ON THE INPATIENT SERVICE AT HARBOR,
3 WE HAD PATIENTS WHERE WE COULD -- THEY HAD GONE TO COMMUNITY
4 CLINICS, BUT WHEN IT CAME TIME TO DISCHARGE THEM, THERE WASN'T
5 ONE PARTICULAR COMMUNITY CLINIC OR ONE PARTICULAR DOCTOR THAT
6 I COULD CALL AND SAY "THIS IS YOUR PATIENT. I'M GOING TO BE
7 DISCHARGING THEM. I'D LIKE YOU TO SEE THEM NEXT WEEK. ". UNDER
8 THIS CURRENT SYSTEM, THAT WOULD BE POSSIBLE BECAUSE EVERY
9 PERSON IN THE SYSTEM WOULD HAVE AN IDENTIFIED CLINIC AND
10 DOCTOR SO THAT WHEN YOU'RE IN THE HOSPITAL AND YOU ARE TAKING
11 CARE OF SOMEONE, YOU CAN CALL THAT PROVIDER. YOU CAN GET MORE
12 INFORMATION ABOUT THE PATIENT AND MOST IMPORTANTLY YOU CAN
13 MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE SEEN WHEN THEY ARE DISCHARGED WITHIN
14 THREE DAYS SO THEY DON'T NEED TO COME BACK TO THE HOSPITAL
15 UNNECESSARILY.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DR. KATZ, JUST QUICK? WHAT IS THE
18 DIFFERENCE IN THE CAPITATED RATE VERSUS THE FEE-FOR-SERVICE?

19

20 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THE FEE-FOR-SERVICE RATE, 94, NO MATTER
21 WHETHER IT'S A TWO-HOUR VISIT OR A FIVE-MINUTE VISIT. WHAT WE
22 ARE PROPOSING TO DO AND WE'RE STILL WORKING OUT THE RATE IS WE
23 WILL TAKE THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT THIS PROGRAM HAS
24 ALWAYS HAD, ABOUT 55 MILLION. WE WILL DIVIDE IT BY THE NUMBER
25 OF PEOPLE THAT THIS PROGRAM CURRENTLY SERVES, WHICH IS ABOUT

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1 106,000. WE'LL TAKE OFF SOME MONEY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE
2 PHARMACY SERVICES. THAT'S ANOTHER FEATURE OF THIS IS THAT
3 RIGHT NOW THE CURRENT PROGRAM HAS THE PHARMACY COMING OUT OF
4 THE 94 DOLLARS. THAT CREATES A TREMENDOUS PROBLEM FOR CLINICS
5 TO SEE VERY SICK PATIENTS BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW FROM YOUR OWN
6 EXPERIENCE, A SINGLE PRESCRIPTION CAN COST MORE THAN 94
7 DOLLARS. SO IT HAS THE PERVERSE RESULT OF MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE
8 FOR THE CLINICS TO SEE THE SICKEST PEOPLE WHO MOST NEED CARE.
9 SO WE WILL TAKE THE FULL 55 MILLION. WE'LL FIGURE OUT HOW MUCH
10 IS NEEDED FOR PHARMACY. WE'LL TAKE THAT BURDEN OFF THE
11 CLINICS. THEN THE REMAINING MONEY WE'LL DIVIDE BY THE NUMBER
12 OF PEOPLE BEING SEEN IN THE PROGRAM. AND THAT WILL THEN YIELD
13 THE PER-MEMBER PER-MONTH RATE. AND CLINICS WILL GET THAT RATE
14 AS LONG AS THE PATIENT CHOOSES THEM. IT'S A MONEY FOLLOWS THE
15 PATIENT MODEL.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH IS GOOD. I MEAN, THAT'S THE
18 ESSENCE HERE, RIGHT? SO THAT WE HAVE THAT MEDICAL HOME VERSUS
19 IN AND OUT OF EMERGENCY ROOM, HARBOR, COUNTY U.S.C., NORTH
20 COUNTY, WHATEVER?

21

22 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WE'VE FOUND IN OUR WORK NOW PEOPLE WHO HAVE
23 BEEN SEEN AT 13 DIFFERENT SITES, BOTH US AND THE COMMUNITY,
24 OFTEN HAVING THE SAME LABORATORIES. A HUGE AMOUNT OF WASTE IN
25 A SYSTEM WHERE NO ONE IS IDENTIFIED. IT'S LIKE THE OLD AXIOM

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1 ABOUT PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. IF EVERYBODY'S IN
2 CHARGE, NO ONE'S IN CHARGE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND ALSO IT MAKES OUR INVESTMENT
5 WORTHWHILE THAT WE'RE SPENDING ON ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS
6 AS WELL, TOO.

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8 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY. THE E-CONSULT CONTINUES TO
9 GROW, NOW UP TO 67,000 E-CONSULTS. AND WE'RE STILL ABLE TO
10 PROVIDE RESPONSE UNDER THREE DAYS. WE ARE TAKING RETINAL
11 SCREENING FROM THE PILOT TO OUR AIM TO GET EVERY DIABETIC
12 SCREENED WITH A RETINAL CAMERA. DIABETES IS IN LOS ANGELES THE
13 NUMBER ONE CAUSE OF BLINDNESS. SO ENTIRELY PREVENTABLE CAUSE
14 OF BLINDNESS. WE REALIZED EARLY ON WE WOULD NEVER BE ABLE TO
15 CREATE ENOUGH EYE APPOINTMENTS FOR EVERY DIABETIC IN LOS
16 ANGELES. IMPOSSIBLE. BUT LOOK WHEN YOU DO THE CAMERAS, WHICH I
17 COULD TEACH ANY OF THE FIVE OF YOU TO TAKE A RETINAL CAMERA
18 AND TAKE A PICTURE OF A RETINA IN 15 MINUTES. THAT'S HOW LONG
19 IT TAKES TO TEACH TO USE THE NEW CAMERAS.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** DON'T BE TOO SURE OF THAT, DR. KATZ.
22 [LAUGHTER.]

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24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I'M CERTAIN, SIR. SO WHEN YOU TAKE THE
25 RETINAL CAMERA, THEN THE IMAGES ARE READ BY AN EYE DOCTOR. BUT

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1 WHAT'S AMAZING IS THAT OF THE FIRST 779 PEOPLE THAT WE DID
2 THIS ON, 602 NEEDED NO FURTHER EVALUATION BECAUSE THE RETINA
3 WAS PERFECT. AND SO YOU SAVE ON ALL OF THOSE VISITS. ALL THAT
4 HAPPENS IS THAT A MEDICAL ASSISTANT TAKES THE PICTURE. THE EYE
5 DOCTOR READS THE PICTURE, IN 77 PERCENT OF THE CASES, NO
6 FURTHER EVALUATION IS NEEDED. THIS WILL ENABLE US TO PREVENT
7 BLINDNESS IN LOS ANGELES. ORCHID, THE E.H.R. CONTINUES ON
8 TIME, ON BUDGET. HOUSING, WE OPENED UP 56 UNITS OF SUPPORTIVE
9 HOUSING ON MARCH 3RD FOR A VARIETY OF PEOPLE, INCLUDING
10 VETERANS, FAMILY MEMBERS IN A GROUP OF BLIGHTED PROPERTIES.
11 AND AS I'VE SAID BEFORE, I FEEL WE'VE GOTTEN A LOT DONE, BUT
12 THERE'S A LOT MORE TO DO. AND I'D LIKE TO NOW ASK DIRECTOR
13 SPILLER TO TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE GREAT WORK THAT HER
14 DEPARTMENT AND SHE HAVE BEEN DOING.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE THAT, COULD I JUST ASK YOU A
17 QUESTION?

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT IS YOUR SCHEDULE FOR FULLY IMPLEMENTING
22 THIS NEW ADDITION TO HEALTHY WAY L.A.?

23

24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SEPTEMBER IS OUR DATE TO GO LIVE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DOES THAT INCLUDE THE DELAYS THAT WE'VE
2 HEARD MAYBE IMPACTING THE PROGRAM AT THIS POINT? OR HAVE YOU
3 ADDRESSED THAT?

4

5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WE HAD ORIGINALLY HOPED THAT WE WOULD PULL
6 IT OFF FOR JULY 1. BUT SEPTEMBER 1 SEEMS THE DATE WE CAN MAKE.
7 WE BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE THAT.

8

9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** COULD YOU CONTINUE TO KEEP THE BOARD
10 OFFICES INFORMED ON AT LEAST A MONTHLY BASIS AND MORE OFTEN IF
11 THERE'S A SLIPPAGE IN THAT SCHEDULE?

12

13 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY, SIR. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SPILLER?

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19 **SHERYL SPILLER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. SHERYL SPILLER,
20 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND I'M
21 HERE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON MY DEPARTMENT'S ROLE IN THE
22 HEALTHCARE REFORM. SPECIFICALLY I'LL BE TALKING ABOUT THE
23 HEALTHY WAY L.A. TRANSITION TO MEDI-CAL, THE MEDI-CAL
24 EXPANSION, CHALLENGES THAT WE FACED AND CONTINUE TO FACE AND
25 THEN THE POST-COVER CALIFORNIA ENROLLMENT D.P.S.S. ASSISTED

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1 D.H.S. IN ENROLLING OVER 307,000 BENEFICIARIES IN HEALTHY WAY
2 L.A. AND THAT MEANS OUR ELIGIBILITY WORKERS ACTUALLY PROCESS
3 THE APPLICATIONS AND THE RE-DETERMINATIONS. AND EFFECTIVE
4 JANUARY 1ST, THOSE HEALTHY WAY L.A. BENEFICIARIES ALL
5 TRANSITIONED TO MEDI-CAL AND WERE ASSIGNED TO D.P.S.S. OFFICES
6 AND ELIGIBILITY STAFF.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. SO ALL 307,000 CAME THROUGH
9 D.P.S.S.?

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11 **SHERYLE SPILLER:** YES, YES THEY CAME THROUGH D.H.S. AND WE
12 PROCESSED THE APPLICATIONS. WITH THAT, IT'S BECAUSE D.H.S. AND
13 D.P.S.S. PARTNERED EARLY ON AND USED THE LEADER SYSTEM THAT WE
14 WERE ABLE TO MAKE THIS SYSTEM SEAMLESS. THE MEDI-CAL EXPANSION
15 ACTUALLY CHANGES THE MEDI-CAL PROGRAM AS WE'VE KNOWN IT. AND
16 YOU'LL HEAR A LOT ABOUT THE MODIFIED ADJUSTED GROWTH INCOME OR
17 MAGI MEDI-CAL. AND WHAT THAT DOES IS CHANGES THE METHODOLOGY
18 OF HOW WE DETERMINE WHO'S ELIGIBLE FOR MEDI-CAL. AND IT LOOKS
19 AT THE HOUSEHOLD SIZE AND THE INCOME AND TAX-BASED
20 INFORMATION. YOU CAN STILL OBTAIN MEDI-CAL IF YOU DON'T FILE
21 TAXES, BUT THAT'S WHAT WE LOOK AT IN ORDER TO PROCESS IT. SO
22 D.P.S.S. LAUNCHED AN EXCHANGE CENTER IN ORDER TO PROCESS THE
23 PRE-ENROLLMENT FROM OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER OF '13. AND WE
24 TRAINED OVER 6,000 ELIGIBILITY STAFF ON THE NEW MAGI PROGRAM
25 AND IN ADDITION ON THE CAL HEARS SYSTEM, WHICH IS COVER

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1 CALIFORNIA'S COMPUTER SYSTEM, WITH WHICH WE'RE NOW MANDATED TO
2 GO THROUGH IN ORDER TO APPROVE OUR MEDI-CAL. THE MEDI-CAL
3 EXPANSION WHERE WE STAND NOW IS THAT WE HAVE OVER 249,000
4 APPLICATIONS. YOU'LL SEE THAT WE'VE PROCESSED SOME 36,000.
5 THERE ARE ANOTHER 44,000 THAT ARE -- IT SAYS APPLICATIONS
6 PENDING IN LEADER, BUT THESE ARE AWAITING PROCESSING BECAUSE
7 OF ISSUES WITH CAL HEARS, WHICH YOU'LL SEE WHEN I TALK ABOUT
8 SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT WE'VE HAD. AND HERE'S JUST A
9 BREAKDOWN OF HOW THOSE APPLICATIONS CAME THROUGH, BETWEEN
10 WALK-INS, MAIL-INS, ONLINE 142,000 APPLICATIONS WERE
11 TRANSFERRED FROM CALIFORNIA TO D.P.S.S. ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT
12 D.P.S.S. HAS ASSISTED COVER CALIFORNIA IN PROCESSING OVER
13 10,000 PAPER APPLICATIONS JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY MET
14 THEIR DECEMBER CUTOFF. IN CONVERTING THE MEDICARE CASES TO
15 MAGI ALL THOSE CASES THAT WERE MEDICARE CASES THAT WERE
16 APPROVED PRIOR TO JANUARY 2014 MUST BE REVIEWED USING THE MAGI
17 METHODOLOGY. THAT MEANS THAT WE HAVE TO LOOK AT ALL OF THOSE
18 FOR RENEWALS. THE STATE HAS PUSHED BACK A RENEWAL PROCESSING
19 FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY THROUGH MAY. AND IS ASKING NOW THAT
20 WE PROCESS THOSE THROUGH BEGINNING IN OCTOBER. SO WE ESTIMATE
21 THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE PROCESSING AT LEAST 200,000 MEDI-CAL
22 RENEWALS A MONTH, WHICH MEANS THAT BY THE END OF THE YEAR, WE
23 WILL HAVE HAD TO PROCESS A MILLION MEDI-CAL RENEWALS. SOME OF
24 THE CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE WITH HEALTHCARE REFORM IS REALLY
25 DUE TO A LACK OF STATE READINESS. THERE HAVE BEEN DELAYS IN

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1 THE APPLICATION PROCESSING DUE TO THE CALHEERS SYSTEM,
2 INACCURATE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATIONS RESULTING FROM CALHEERS,
3 COMPLEX AND LABOR-INTENSIVE WORK-AROUNDS THAT WERE A RESULT OF
4 THAT SYSTEM, AND FREQUENT, ALMOST DAILY, POLICY CHANGES AND
5 PROCESSING. AND THEN AS WE STAND NOW, CAL HEARS' INABILITY TO
6 GENERATE NOTICES OF ACTION. SO WITH ALL OF THOSE CASES THAT
7 WE'VE PROCESSED THUS FAR, PEOPLE HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY DENIAL
8 NOTICES. AND FOR THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE APPROVED, WHAT THEY'VE
9 RECEIVED IS A PACKET AND A BID. BUT NO NOTICES OF ACTION THAT
10 WE WOULD NORMALLY GIVE OUR PARTICIPANTS. THROUGH ALL OF THIS
11 OUR STAFF HAVE HAD TO BE CONSTANTLY RETRAINED BECAUSE OF THE
12 CHANGES THAT COME IN DAILY. AND WE'VE HAD TO USE A LOT OF
13 OVERTIME IN ORDER TO MEET THE PROCESSING DEADLINES. BUT
14 DESPITE THAT, WE'RE STILL WORKING WITH MULTIPLE PARTNERS. AND
15 WE'RE GETTING THE JOB DONE. YOU CAN SEE WITH THE C.E.O.'S
16 OFFICE AND HEALTH SERVICES AND STATE DEPARTMENT HEALTH
17 SERVICES AND LASTLY I JUST WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT THERE IS
18 NO DEADLINE FOR MEDI-CAL, THAT WE DO NOT HAVE AN OPEN
19 ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOR MEDI-CAL. SO THERE'S BEEN SOME CONFUSION
20 WHEN WE HEAR COVER CALIFORNIA THAT YESTERDAY WAS THE LAST DAY,
21 WE CONTINUE TO OUTREACH AND MEDI-CAL IS ALWAYS OPEN. THANK
22 YOU.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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1 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR.
2 JONATHAN FIELDING, PUBLIC HEALTH. THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO
3 REMIND EVERYBODY AS IMPORTANT AS HEALTHCARE IS THAT THE
4 PRIMARY DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH IN POPULATIONS AND THE
5 DISPARITIES ARE IN OUR SOCIAL OR ECONOMIC AND OUR PHYSICAL
6 ENVIRONMENTS AND IN OUR HEALTH BEHAVIORS. SO WE'RE CONCERNED
7 ABOUT ALL OF THOSE, OBVIOUSLY. THERE'S SOME OPPORTUNITIES FOR
8 LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS IN THE NEW A.C.A. THERE ARE NEW
9 REVENUE SOURCES. THERE IS GREATER CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATION,
10 MORE FOCUS ON COMMUNITY HEALTH PLANNING, WORKING MORE CLOSELY
11 WITH TRANSPORTATION, WITH EDUCATION LIKE TO BUILD SAFER
12 COMMUNITIES, INCREASED ACCESS TO DATA, ELECTRONIC MEDICAL
13 RECORD MAKES IT MORE POSSIBLE FOR BETTER CONSUMER PROTECTION
14 AND ALSO ASSURANCE OF QUALITY OF CARE. SO THERE'S SOME
15 PROGRAMS DIRECTLY IMPACTED OUR S.A.P.C., SUBSTANCE ABUSE
16 PREVENTION AND CONTROL PROGRAM, THE EXPANSION OF MEDICAID IS
17 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. IT MAKES IT OF MORE AVAILABLE. THE TYPES
18 OF SERVICES ARE ALSO MORE AVAILABLE. AND THERE'S ALSO THE
19 FEDERAL PARITY LAW WHICH BASICALLY SAYS YOU HAVE TO TREAT
20 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AND MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS TO THE SAME
21 DEGREE AND IN THE SAME MANNER WITH THE SAME APPROPRIATE
22 RESOURCES AS YOU WOULD FOR ANOTHER PHYSICAL MEDICAL PROBLEM.
23 SO THAT IS CHANGING OUR DRUG MEDI-CAL PROVIDER NETWORK. THAT'S
24 GOING TO INCREASE, I THINK, AFTER DECREASING. IT SHIFTS THE
25 USE OF THE PREVENTION MONEY AND THE FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT I

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1 THINK MORE TOWARDS PREVENTION. AND IT WILL LET US IMPLEMENT
2 THE PARITY REQUIREMENTS AND INCREASING ACCESS. IT SHOULD
3 REDUCE COST. AND THE ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORD WILL ALLOW US
4 TO FOCUS MUCH MORE CAREFULLY AND SYSTEMATICALLY ON QUALITY.
5 FOR H.I.V. AND S.T.D. PROGRAMS, THERE'S A SIGNIFICANT
6 TRANSITION OF CLIENTS FROM THE RYAN WHITE TO HEALTHY WAY L.A.
7 AND NOW TO MEDI-CAL. RYAN WHITE REMAINS THE PAYER OF LAST
8 RESORT. AND THERE'S POSSIBLE PRIVATE SECTOR INTEREST IN H.I.V.
9 AND S.T.D. SCREENING AND TREATMENT. SO WE ARE HAVING TO
10 REALIGN RYAN WHITE RESOURCES BASED ON CLIENT MIGRATION AND TO
11 MAKE SURE THEY'RE GETTING THE WRAP-AROUND SERVICES AND
12 ADVOCATE FOR THE IMPACTED POPULATIONS. IN TERMS OF COMMUNITY
13 HEALTH SERVICES, THE QUESTION IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO CLINICAL
14 DEMAND FOR T.B. SERVICES, FOR S.T.D. SERVICES? WE THINK
15 THERE'S STILL GOING TO BE QUITE A BIT OF THE DEMAND IN THOSE
16 TWO AREAS. SO THEY NEED CLEARLY CONTINUED EXPERTISE. AND WE
17 NEED NOW TO HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO BILL FOR SERVICES. WE'VE
18 ALWAYS PROVIDED SERVICES FOR FREE, BUT NOW THAT MORE AND MORE
19 PEOPLE HAVE A SOURCE OF CARE, A SOURCE OF PAYER, PAYER SOURCE
20 FOR CARE, WE NEED TO ACCESS THOSE. SO WE WANT TO BECOME A T.B.
21 AND S.T.D. SPECIALTY PROVIDER. AND WE CAN ALSO HAVE NEW ROLES
22 WORKING WITH MANY PARTNERS IN CREATING HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES.
23 IN CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES, SOME OF THE POSSIBILITIES ARE
24 A DECLINE IN THE COUNTY SHARE OF COSTS FOR C.C.S. MAYBE A
25 CHANGE IN OUR SCREENING AND C. H.D.P., AND WE DON'T KNOW

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1 EXACTLY, BUT THERE'S LIKELY TO BE A PILOT PROJECT WITH CASE
2 MANAGEMENT OF MEDICALLY LESS COMPLEX CHILDREN COMPARED TO THE
3 MORE COMPLEX. WE ARE ON THE STATE WORKGROUP LOOKING AT C.C.S.
4 AND C.H.D.P. AND WE ARE STRENGTHENING THE WRAP-AROUND SERVICES
5 FOR THESE AFFECTED CHILDREN. IN CHRONIC DISEASE AND INJURY
6 PREVENTION, THERE'S BEEN THE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH FUND
7 WHICH HAS GONE THROUGH SOME ISSUES WITH CONGRESS. BUT WE WERE
8 ABLE TO GET THE GREATEST OF ANY MUNICIPALITY IN TERMS OF MONEY
9 IN THE TRANSFORMATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITIES. AND THAT
10 ALLOWED US TO PARTY -- TO PARTY UP, YES, TO WORK WITH OTHER
11 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS IN CITIES AND SCHOOLS AND BUSINESS AND THE
12 LIKE TO SEEK NEW FUNDING. SOME OF THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS ARE
13 TOBACCO-FREE POLICIES NOW AT OUR 14 HEALTH CENTERS. WE WORK
14 CLOSELY WITH PARKS AND REC TO DO PARKS AFTER DARK. AND THAT'S
15 BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM NOT ONLY BECAUSE IT'S INCREASED
16 PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND SAFETY BUT IT'S ASSOCIATED WITH A
17 DECLINE IN VERY SERIOUS CRIME INCLUDING HOMICIDES IN THOSE
18 AREAS. OUR PROGRAM FOR HEALTHY FOOD AND BEVERAGE PURCHASING
19 PRACTICE FOR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS SO THE FOOD AND COUNTY
20 DEPARTMENTS ARE NOW HEALTHIER. AND WE LAUNCHED OUR CHOOSE
21 HEALTH L.A. RESTAURANTS TRYING TO HELP THE CONSUMER TO GET
22 PORTION SIZES THAT ARE MORE IN LINE WITH WEIGHT MAINTENANCE
23 AND REDUCING WEIGHT IF YOU WANT TO. AND WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE
24 SUPPORTED THE L.A.C.+U.S.C. WELLNESS CENTER WHICH IS OFF TO A
25 WONDERFUL START. OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENT, WE'VE WORKED VERY

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1 CLOSELY WITH FOUR OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS REPRESENTED HERE AT
2 THE TABLE PLUS THE SHERIFF. AND WE ALSO HAVE BUILT ON THE
3 NETWORK THAT WE'VE ALREADY ESTABLISHED FOR OUTREACH IN TERMS
4 OF SIGNING UP FOR HEALTH INSURANCE. WE GOT A GRANT FOR 7
5 MILLION DOLLARS OVER TWO YEARS. WE EXPECT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO
6 ENROLL COLLECTIVELY 71,500 NEW INDIVIDUALS INTO HEALTH
7 INSURANCE THROUGH CAREFUL COMMUNITY COLLABORATION. 50 PERCENT
8 OF THE MONEY HAS TO GO TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. SO THERE
9 ARE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES. THERE ARE PROGRAMS THAT ARE CHANGED
10 AND THERE ARE FUNDING STREAM ISSUES. AND THAT SUMMARIZES WHAT
11 WE ARE DOING WITH THE A.C.A. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, DR. FIELDING. DR. SOUTHARD?

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15 **MARVIN SOUTHARD:** MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MARVIN
16 SOUTHWARD, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. IN THE
17 INTEREST OF TIME, I WON'T FOCUS ON ANY OF THE ISSUES THAT MY
18 PARTNERS HERE AT THE TABLE HAVE ALREADY RAISED, SUCH AS OUR
19 CONTRIBUTION TO ENROLLMENT AND ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH BUT
20 WILL SPEAK TO SPECIFIC FACTORS THAT AFFECT THE DEPARTMENT OF
21 MENTAL HEALTH IN PARTICULAR. FIRST OF THOSE IS THAT OUR MAJOR
22 EFFORT IS TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE NETWORK CAPACITY AND ACCESS
23 FOR CARE FOR THE NEW PEOPLE WHO ARE ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM.
24 AND ONE OF OUR RESPONSIBILITIES IS THAT WE NOW NEED TO RESPOND
25 SPECIFICALLY TO HEALTH PLANS ABOUT GETTING THEM ACCESS TO

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1 URGENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. NOT 5150 BUT A LEVEL OF URGENCY
2 BELOW THAT. SO WE'RE REQUIRED TO TRACK OUR RESPONSIVENESS TO
3 THE HEALTH PLANS. WE ESTABLISHED A 1-800 NUMBER THAT WAS
4 OPERATIONAL ON JANUARY THE 1ST. WE THEN TRACK IF THE URGENT
5 APPOINTMENTS ARE GIVEN WITHIN THE SEVEN-DAY TIMELINE. AS YOU
6 SEE THE VOLUME WAS SMALL TO BEGIN WITH. IT'S CURRENTLY
7 ACCELERATING. BUT WE'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL 100 PERCENT IN GETTING
8 OUR URGENT APPOINTMENTS ON TIME. THE THING THAT WE DID BEFORE
9 JANUARY 1ST WAS TO INSTITUTE A SCREENING REFERRAL TRACKING
10 SYSTEM WHICH WE STARTED UNDER HEALTHY WAY L.A. AND IT INVOLVED
11 88 AGENCIES. AND WE TRACKED THE SUCCESS OF REFERRALS FOR
12 22,000 HEALTHY WAY L.A. REFERRALS. WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION
13 JANUARY 1ST, WE'VE EXPANDED TO TRACKING 129 AGENCIES AND THEIR
14 HANDLING OF REFERRALS FOR OUR POPULATION. BUT THE BIG
15 OPPORTUNITY AND THE BIG NEXT STEP IS REFLECTED ON WHAT DR.
16 FIELDING REFERRED TO AS THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH
17 OUTCOMES. WE KNOW THAT JUST PROVIDING ACCESS TO CARE DOESN'T
18 NECESSARILY MAKE PEOPLE LIVE A HEALTHIER LIFE AND HAVE BETTER
19 HEALTH OUTCOMES. WE NEED TO EMBED OUR WORK IN THE COMMUNITY.
20 SO OUR STRATEGY FOR ACCESS AND COORDINATING CARE HAS BEEN TO
21 WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS, PARTICULARLY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
22 SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN BUILDING
23 HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS. WE STARTED THIS WITH HEALTHY WAY L.A. IN
24 PARTNERING UP WITH HEALTH PROGRAMS, INCLUDING 62 FEDERALLY
25 QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS AND 24 D.H.S. FACILITIES AND

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1 CONNECTED THEM UP WITH 75 ADULT MENTAL HEALTH AGENCIES. AND
2 THAT INCLUDED SOME OF OUR CO-LOCATED EFFORTS. WE ARE NOW WITH
3 MEDICAID EXPANSION JANUARY 1ST EXPANDING THAT TO ADD
4 CHILDREN'S PROVIDERS IN THOSE INITIAL NEIGHBORHOODS THAT WE
5 BEGAN WITH HEALTHY WAY L.A. SO THE NEXT STEP FOR US IS TO SEE
6 IF WE CAN DEVELOP A BROADER VISION BECAUSE WHAT WE NEED TO DO
7 IS NOT JUST COORDINATE CARE BETWEEN HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH AND
8 SUBSTANCE ABUSE, BUT REACH OUT TO THE COMMUNITIES. WE HAVE
9 STARTED THE PROCESS OF SPEAKING TO FAITH COMMUNITIES, SOCIAL
10 SERVICE PROVIDERS IN VARIOUS COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT LOS
11 ANGELES. AND THE IDEA FOR US IS TO GET THE COMMUNITY TO DECIDE
12 ON WHAT SOCIAL DETERMINANT OF HEALTH CARE IS MOST AFFECTING
13 THEM AND THEN BRING THEM TOGETHER TO WORK ON THAT WITH THE
14 IDEA THAT THE COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER IS ONE OF THE
15 STRONGEST THINGS WE CAN DO TO RAISE HEALTH OUTCOMES. AND AS
16 YOU KNOW, THIS IS INCLUDED IN THE COUNTY'S STRATEGIC PLAN.
17 WE'VE MADE GRANT APPLICATIONS TO ASSIST US IN THIS EFFORT WITH
18 BLUE SHIELD FOUNDATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR PARTNERS. AND
19 WITH RAND AND U.C.L.A., WE HAVE A MAJOR FEDERAL GRANT THAT
20 WE'RE WAITING TO HEAR THE OUTCOMES FOR THAT SPECIFICALLY AIMED
21 AT REDUCING THE HEALTH DISPARITIES IN ETHNIC COMMUNITIES. AND
22 SO THERE ARE 13 COMMUNITIES IN L.A. THAT ARE TARGETED FOR THIS
23 GRANT. IF WE ARE SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING THAT GRANT, WE'LL HAVE
24 AN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY ACCELERATE THE PROCESS OF BUILDING
25 THESE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS. BUT EVEN IF WE DON'T GET ANY

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1 FURTHER GRANTS, WE'RE ALREADY STARTED IN THE PROCESS OF
2 REACHING OUT TO OUR PARTNERS, BUT ALSO TO FAITH COMMUNITIES,
3 TO HOSPITALS, TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, TO SCHOOLS. AND I HAVE TO
4 TELL YOU THAT THE RESPONSE FROM THE COMMUNITY FOR OUR HEALTH
5 NEIGHBORHOOD CONCEPT HAS BEEN VERY POSITIVE, PARTICULARLY FROM
6 FAITH COMMUNITIES, FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FROM HEALTH
7 PROVIDERS. SO WE BELIEVE THIS INTEGRATIVE FUNCTION WILL BRING
8 ALL OF US HERE ON THE TEAM TOGETHER TO DIG OUR ROOTS DEEP INTO
9 COMMUNITIES AND HAVE COMMUNITIES BE HEALTHIER IN THE LONG RUN.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DR. KATZ?

12

13 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES, SIR.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU KNOW, WE DISCUSSED UNDER THE
16 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE FACT THAT WE
17 HAD THE LARGEST UNINSURED POPULATION IN AMERICA RIGHT HERE AT
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE'RE STILL
19 GOING TO HAVE A VERY SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF UNINSURED HERE IN
20 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. DO WE HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT THAT NUMBER MIGHT
21 BE?

22

23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** BEST ESTIMATES ARE ONE MILLION PERSONS WILL
24 REMAIN UNINSURED.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE KNOW WHAT THE PROFILE IS? I MEAN
2 EVERYBODY THINKS THAT WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE
3 RUSH TO SIGN UP AND YOU GOT SEVEN MILLION AND ALL THIS KIND OF
4 STUFF THAT EVERYBODY WILL HAVE INSURANCE BUT THAT'S NOT THE
5 CASE HERE IN OUR COUNTY. DO WE HAVE A PROFILE? I MEAN IS IT
6 THE YOUNG PEOPLE? IS IT THE UNDOCUMENTED? IS IT THE PEOPLE
7 THAT REFUSE TO SIGN UP AND TAKE THEIR CHANCE ON THEIR FINE?
8 ARE WE ABLE TO LOOK IN ADVANCE OR AT LEAST BE PROACTIVE IN
9 SOME WAY TO IDENTIFY THE PROFILE OF THAT ONE MILLION THAT'S
10 LEFT UNINSURED AFTER THE IMPLEMENTATION?

11

12 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SOMEWHAT ALTHOUGH WE'LL HAVE OF MORE
13 INFORMATION IN THE COMING MONTHS OF WHO ACTUALLY IS LEFT. MOST
14 OF WHAT WE HAVE RIGHT NOW ARE PROJECTIONS. THE MAJORITY ARE
15 WORKING PEOPLE. THAT'S ONE OF THE INTERESTING THINGS IS THAT
16 THE MAJORITY --

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SORT OF OUTSIDE THAT REALM THAT THEY
19 DON'T QUALIFY FOR THE SUBSIDIZED RATE.

20

21 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** EXACTLY. THEY EITHER DON'T QUALIFY OR THEY
22 DO QUALIFY BUT THEY HAVEN'T SIGNED UP BECAUSE AS YOU SAY,
23 THEY'RE TAKING THEIR CHANCES ON BEING HEALTHY AND NOT NEEDING
24 IT OR THEY'RE DECIDING THAT THE PENALTY IS LESS. AS YOU KNOW,
25 THE PENALTY IS LESS THAN THE INSURANCE.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO DO WE HAVE ANY IDEA HOW WE WILL BE
3 REIMBURSED FOR THAT POPULATION?

4

5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** IF SOMEBODY IS ELIGIBLE FOR COVER
6 CALIFORNIA, THE MESSAGE THAT WE GIVE THEM IS: YOU NEED TO GO
7 AND GET YOURSELF COVER CALIFORNIA BECAUSE IT DOESN'T MAKE
8 SENSE FOR THE COUNTY TO PAY FOR CARE FOR WHICH THE FEDERAL
9 GOVERNMENT IS SUBSIDIZING OTHERS TO PROVIDE. IT BECOMES
10 SOMEWHAT MORE COMPLICATED, OBVIOUSLY, IF PEOPLE GO TO THE
11 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT IT'S SORT OF A CHANGE OF CULTURE FOR
14 US, THEN. IT WASN'T A FEW YEARS AGO THAT WE WERE FINALLY ABLE
15 TO ASK, "DO YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO PAY"? AND GET SOME SORT OF
16 PAYMENT OUT OF THEM. NOW THIS WHOLE INSTEAD OF JUST SAYING
17 IT'S A GOOD THING FOR THE CULTURE I MEAN WE JUST DON'T SAY
18 "HEY WE'RE THE COUNTY SO WE JUST TAKE CARE OF POOR PEOPLE." WE
19 DON'T SEEK OUT REIMBURSEMENT, THAT KIND OF A THING. SO THAT'S
20 GOOD. BUT IT IS A LITTLE MORE COMPLICATED BECAUSE WE DO HAVE
21 TO REDIRECT SOME OF THESE FOLKS. EVEN WITH THE UNDOCUMENTED.
22 MY UNDERSTANDING, THE SENATOR LARA HAS INTRODUCED A BILL TO
23 MAKE COVERAGE AVAILABLE TO UNDOCUMENTED. SO WE PROBABLY WANT
24 TO WAIT AND SEE HOW THAT DEVELOPS BEFORE WE COME UP WITH A
25 PLAN OF OUR OWN, IS THAT CORRECT?

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2 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YOU HAVE IT EXACTLY RIGHT, SIR. FOR THE
3 COUNTY, IT WOULD DEPEND WHAT THE FINANCING PLAN IS. CERTAINLY
4 THE COUNTY WOULD WELCOME THE STATE TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR
5 PAYING FOR THE CARE OF PEOPLE WHO ARE UNDOCUMENTED. SO I THINK
6 THAT WOULD BE A GOOD THING. BUT OF COURSE IF THE PLAN SAYS
7 IT'S THE COUNTY WHO HAS TO PAY, THEN WE WOULD BE BACK HERE
8 WITH YOU TO MAKE YOUR DECISION ON HOW YOU FELT ABOUT IT ABOUT
9 THE BILL.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOING BACK TO THE CAPITATED RATES, WE
12 HAVE A SENSE THAT THAT WILL BE A FAIR RATE? WE WON'T HAVE
13 PROBLEMS SIGNING UP COMMUNITY PARTNERS VERSUS THE 94?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I BELIEVE SO, RIGHT. BECAUSE REMEMBER, WE
16 HAVEN'T DECREASED THE TOTAL POT. SO WE'VE LEFT THE POT THE
17 SAME. SO THE AMOUNT OF MONEY BEFORE AND THE AMOUNT OF MONEY
18 NOW REMAINS THE SAME.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE THERE'S ANOTHER CONVERSATION,
21 OBVIOUSLY THIS IS THE COUNTY PIECE THAT WE'RE INVOLVED IN, BUT
22 THERE'S ANOTHER PIECE OUTSIDE OF OUR DISCUSSION WHERE DOCS WHO
23 HAVE NOT SIGNED UP YET DON'T KNOW WHAT THEIR REIMBURSEMENT'S
24 GOING TO BE. AND SOME PEOPLE HAVE JUST CAPPED THEIR SIGNUPS
25 SAYING THIS IS IT. I'M NOT GOING TO DO ANYMORE UNTIL I KNOW

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1 MORE. THAT COULD REFLECT IN OUR COMMUNITY PARTNER RELATIONSHIP
2 PREMIUMS.

3

4 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** FOR THE GROUP YOU'RE THINKING OF I THINK
5 ARE GENERALLY PEOPLE A LITTLE MORE MIDDLE INCOME WORKING POOR.
6 REMEMBER, THE COMMUNITY PARTNER IS ONLY UP TO 139 PERCENT OF
7 POVERTY. SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE WITH VERY, VERY LITTLE
8 MONEY.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT OUTSIDE OF THAT, THEN, BECOMES THAT
11 POPULATION THAT EITHER DOESN'T QUALIFY? THAT'S WHAT I'M --

12

13 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY, SIR.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OF STAFF
16 ON THIS? CAN YOU DO MINE? OKAY, MIKE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DR. KATZ ONCE AGAIN. WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY
19 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE HEALTHY L.A. UNMATCHED PROGRAM?

20

21 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YOU HAVE TO BE AT 139 PERCENT OR BELOW OF
22 POVERTY. AND YOU HAVE TO HAVE A LOS ANGELES ADDRESS -- LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY ADDRESS. AND YOU CANNOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR ANY
24 OTHER PROGRAM. WHETHER OR NOT YOU'RE IN THE PROGRAM OR NOT,
25 YOU CAN'T BE ELIGIBLE FOR IT.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE NUMBER YOU ANTICIPATE WHO WOULD
3 ENROLL?

4

5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** RIGHT NOW, THE PROGRAM AS IT IS SERVES
6 106,000 PEOPLE. AND SO WE'RE AIMING TO KEEP THE PROGRAM AT
7 ABOUT THE SAME SIZE. WE THINK THAT BECAUSE WE WILL ELIMINATE
8 SOME DUPLICATION, WE WILL BE ABLE TO DO THAT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU INDICATE THAT THE HEALTHY WAY L.A.
11 PROGRAM ONLY COVERS SERVICES WITHIN THE L.A. COUNTY SYSTEM;
12 HOWEVER, THOSE SCOPE OF SERVICES OR CONDITIONS TREATED UNDER
13 THE PROGRAM, ARE THEY GOING TO BE LIMITED IN ANY WAY?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** UNDER THE HEALTHY WAY L.A. PROGRAM, IT'S
16 PRIMARY CARE, HOSPITALIZATION, PHARMACY AND LABORATORY. AND AS
17 YOU SAY, SIR, YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. IF YOU ARE IN A
18 DIFFERENT HOSPITAL EVEN WITHIN L.A. COUNTY, WE DO NOT PAY. SO
19 IF SOMEONE IN THAT PROGRAM IS AT CEDARS OR A DIFFERENT
20 HOSPITAL, WE WOULD NOT PAY, NOR WOULD WE PAY IF THEY GOT
21 HOSPITALIZED IN A DIFFERENT COUNTY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEN THE SERVICES PROVIDED WOULD NOT BE
24 THOSE PROVIDED UNDER MEDI-CAL-MANAGED CARE TO LAWFUL CITIZENS,
25 WHICH INCLUDES FERTILITY SERVICES?

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2 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THAT'S CORRECT, SIR.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE WOULD NOT COVER THAT?

5

6 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WE WOULD NOT COVER ANYTHING THAT MEDICAL--
7 IF THE PERSON IS ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICAID MEDI-CAL, THEY WOULD GO
8 INTO MEDICAID MEDI-CAL.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WOULD THEY HAVE ANY COSTS OF SERVICES
11 PROVIDED THAT ARE BEING FUNDED BY THE TAXPAYER?

12

13 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** BECAUSE THIS GROUP IS 139 PERCENT OR BELOW
14 OF POVERTY, NO. AS IT STANDS NOW, THE PROGRAM HAS NEVER HAD IT
15 HISTORICALLY. I THINK IT'S AN INTERESTING ISSUE BECAUSE I
16 THINK PEOPLE DO VALUE THINGS THEY PAY FOR. AND THERE IS VALUE
17 SOMETIMES IN ASKING PEOPLE EVEN PHENOMENAL AMOUNTS FOR
18 EXAMPLE, SOME OF THE HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAM WOULD ASK PEOPLE
19 TO PAY TWO DOLLARS. I THINK THAT WAS VALUABLE. BUT
20 HISTORICALLY THIS PROGRAM HAS NEVER HAD THAT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE YOU AWARE OF ANY OTHER COUNTRY IN THE
23 WORLD THAT PROVIDES THESE TYPES OF SERVICES AT NO COST?

24

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1 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL I THINK CERTAIN OF THE COUNTIES DO,
2 CERTAIN OF THE COUNTIES DON'T. SAN FRANCISCO DOES. AND SAN
3 MATEO, ALAMEDA, CONTRA COSTA DO. I'M AWARE CERTAINLY ORANGE
4 COUNTY DOES NOT. SAN DIEGO DOES NOT. I BELIEVE SAN BERNADINO
5 DOES NOT. I'M NOT SURE IF SOME OF THE OTHER SMALL COUNTIES.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE UNDOCUMENTED WOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO
8 ENROLL IN THIS PROGRAM?

9

10 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THE UNDOCUMENTED ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ENROLL
11 IN MEDICAID BUT THEY WOULD BE IN HEALTHY WAY L.A. UNMATCHED AS
12 THEY ALWAYS HAVE BEEN. WE'RE NOT RECOMMENDING ANY CHANGE ON
13 THAT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT DOES THAT COST PER YEAR?

16

17 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THE TOTAL COST OF THE HEALTHY WAY L.A.
18 UNMATCHED PROGRAM IS 55 MILLION DOLLARS A YEAR. IT'S BEEN THAT
19 FOR HISTORICALLY MANY YEARS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THAT ISN'T ALL UNDOCUMENTED, THOUGH?

24

25 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CORRECT, IT IS NOT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SIR?

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MARK?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I THINK IT'S
7 APPROPRIATE FOR US TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT FOR DECADES THE COUNTY
8 RESPECTIVE BOARDS, STAFF HAVE MAINTAINED THE PROMISE, CALL IT
9 A COVENANT. AND THAT IS TO PROVIDE THE BEST CARE POSSIBLE FOR
10 THE MEDICALLY INDIGENT. THIS IS A NEW MOMENT. IT IS A HIGH
11 MOMENT. IT HAS HISTORIC IMPLICATIONS. AND I THINK THE TEAM AS
12 A WHOLE IS STEPPING UP. FROM D.H.S. TO D.P.H TO MENTAL HEALTH,
13 TO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, IT'S A TEAM HERE. AND
14 IT IS TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED AND TO BE COMPLIMENTED. IT IS
15 COMPLICATED. IT IS TO BE COMPLIMENTED. SO I THINK WE SEIZE THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND ALL OF ITS
17 IMPLICATIONS AND SAY, LOOK, WE'RE GOING TO MEET OUR GOALS ONE
18 WAY OR ANOTHER. AND IT'S ALREADY BEING MADE EVIDENT. I THINK
19 FURTHER IT'S IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT HEALTHY WAY L.A. AND SEE IT
20 AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO MORE RATHER THAN LESS TO ACCOMPLISH
21 THE OVERALL STATED OBJECTIVES WITH FULL ANTICIPATION THAT IT
22 IS THE HIGH GOAL OF PROVIDING THE BEST CARE POSSIBLE TO THE
23 MEDICALLY INDIGENT IN AN ERA WHERE THOSE WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY
24 CONSIDERED MEDICALLY INDIGENT HAVE THE CAPACITY TO PAY AND YET
25 MORE PREVENTIVE HEALTH-ORIENTED, HEALTH MAINTENANCE WELLNESS

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1 CARE. THAT'S THE OBJECTIVE. THAT'S WHAT THOSE WHO HAVE COME TO
2 TESTIFY BY WAY OF PUBLIC COMMENT SUGGESTED. THIS IS THE THRUST
3 OF WHAT THE LEADERSHIP OF D.H.S. HAS BEEN ARTICULATING. AND TO
4 DO IT IN AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS INCREASINGLY COMPETITIVE IN
5 THE POSITION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AS A PART OF WHAT
6 WOULD RAISE THE HEALTH OUTCOMES FOR THE REGION. IN A COST-
7 EFFECTIVE AND PRUDENT WAY. THAT'S ESSENTIALLY WHAT I
8 UNDERSTAND WE SEEK TO ACCOMPLISH, THE COLLABORATIVE EFFORT IS
9 A GOOD THING IN THAT REGARD. SO I WANT TO JUST ENCOURAGE THAT.
10 MORE OF IT. WITH AS MUCH OPENNESS, AS OF IMAGINATIVE THINKING
11 POSSIBLE BECAUSE OUR BEST WORK IS YET TO BE DONE IN PROVIDING
12 CARE ON THE PREVENTIVE FRONT TO HEALTH EDUCATION IN A WHOLE
13 VARIETY OF WAYS THROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH, THE MAXIMIZATION OF
14 EFFICIENCIES FOR THOSE WHO ARE SEEKING TO GET THE SERVICES
15 THROUGH D.P.S.S. FOR THE ACTUAL CARE THAT'S PROVIDED. AND
16 D.H.S. AND D.M.H. ALL OF THIS CAN WORK AND WE ARE ON OUR WAY,
17 I BELIEVE, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, TO BEING A FIRST RATE
18 MODEL OF WHAT A PUBLIC HEALTH DELIVERY SYSTEM CAN LOOK LIKE.
19 SO I WANT TO SAY THAT AS OPENLY AND AFFIRMATIVELY AS POSSIBLE.
20 DR. KATZ, YOU MADE REFERENCE TO THE ISSUE OF DENTAL CARE. YOU
21 TALKED ABOUT EYE APPOINTMENTS AND THE LIKE. LET ME JUST SIMPLY
22 SAY THE DENTAL CARE IS A HUGE ISSUE. WE GOT A CLEAR SENSE OF
23 THIS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ANNUAL CARE HARBOR EVENT, FORMALLY
24 KNOWN AS RAM, REMOTE AREA MEDICAL. WHERE THOUSANDS AND
25 THOUSANDS OF PERSONS ARE SEEN BY WAY OF SUPPORT FROM THE BOARD

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1 AND THE COUNTY ITSELF AND OTHER VOLUNTARY AGENCIES IN THE
2 PRIVATE SECTOR TO GET PEOPLE SEEN ON A TOTALLY FREE BASIS. THE
3 NUMBER ONE SERVICE BEING SOUGHT IS IN THE AREA OF DENTAL CARE.
4 NOT SIMPLY HYGIENE. BUT MORE SUBSTANTIAL ISSUES THAT THEY TAKE
5 CARE OF. I NOTE THAT IN THE PROPOSED DISCUSSION THAT'S TAKING
6 PLACE HERE THAT IT'S AN OPTIONAL CONSIDERATION OTHER THAN THAT
7 WHICH WOULD BE CONSTITUTIVE IN TERMS OF THE PACKAGE OF
8 SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED AND I WANT TO SPEAK TO THAT AND
9 CLARIFY THAT ITEM IF YOU CAN.

10

11 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** YES, SIR. AND MAYBE OPTIONAL IS NOT THE
12 BEST WORD TO DESCRIBE IT. ANY CLINIC, COMMUNITY CLINIC THAT IS
13 CURRENTLY PROVIDING DENTAL CARE WITH SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY
14 WOULD CONTINUE TO DO SO. BUT WE WERE NOT -- WE DO NOT FORCE
15 OTHER PROVIDERS WHO ARE NOT DOING DENTAL CARE RIGHT NOW TO DO
16 IT IN ORDER TO BE PART OF THE PROGRAM.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. I THINK IT'S WORTH UNDERSCORING
19 THAT THE DIMENSION OF HEALTH THAT SPEAKS TO DENTAL CARE IS
20 PERHAPS NOT AS INTUITIVELY SENSED AS AN IMPORTANT FEATURE OF
21 HEALTH, BUT IT IS FUNDAMENTALLY IMPORTANT AND PARTICULARLY AT
22 THE PEDIATRIC LEVEL, THOSE CHILDREN WHO LACK PROPER DENTAL
23 CARE AND HYGIENE ARE SEVERELY IMPACTED AS THEY SEEK TO GO TO
24 SCHOOL. THE BUSINESS WITH FIRST FIVE AND SO FORTH IS CLEAR
25 ABOUT THAT. WE KNOW IT FROM OTHER DATA, AS WELL. BUT I WISH TO

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1 ENCOURAGE THIS AS AN ONGOING POINT OF CONTENTION AND ADVOCACY
2 AS I THINK IT'S THE KEY TO SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF EARLY ON
3 HEALTH MALADIES. I OFFER THAT AND I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT IT IS
4 NOT SIMPLY OPTIONAL PIECE OF BUSINESS THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE
5 BUT SEEN AS MORE FUNDAMENTAL AND I WANT TO ENCOURAGE THAT. MR.
6 CHAIRMAN, THANK YOU.

7

8 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANYONE ELSE? GLORIA?

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME JUST CONGRATULATE THIS TEAM.
13 I THINK THEIR LEADERSHIP HAS BEEN UNBELIEVABLE. TO BE AHEAD OF
14 A SITUATION LIKE THIS AND RECOGNIZE AND UNDERSTAND IT HAS TO
15 BE COMPREHENSIVE I THINK IS A VERY, VERY VALUABLE KIND OF
16 COLLABORATION. WE HAVE ALWAYS HAD RESPONSIBILITY UNDER, WHAT?
17 SECTION 17,000 THAT IS NOT GONE OR ELIMINATED. SO WE HAVE A
18 DUTY AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO ADDRESS IT IN A COMPREHENSIVE
19 MANNER OF THIS TYPE AND TO LOOK AT THE OPTIONS AND TO CREATE A
20 MECHANISM WHERE IT ISN'T JUST THROUGH THE EMERGENCY ROOM BUT
21 THROUGH A MECHANISM OF WELLNESS IN CLINICS AND ALL OF THE
22 OTHER ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT IS NOT JUST ABOUT THAT PATIENT
23 BUT IT'S ABOUT THE HEALTHINESS OF L.A. COUNTY, WHETHER IT BE
24 T.B., WHETHER IT BE AIDS, WHATEVER THE ISSUES ARE, OR DIABETES
25 ARE, ANY OF THESE ISSUES ARE SIGNIFICANT TO THE PATIENT, AND

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1 THEIR WELL-BEING IS IMPORTANT. BUT THE WELL-BEING OF THE
2 COUNTY OVERALL AND ALL OF ITS RESIDENTS IS MUCH MORE IN MANY,
3 MANY WAYS. SO I APPLAUD THIS TEAM FOR WORKING DILIGENTLY AS
4 THEY HAVE. I KNOW IT'S A CHALLENGE AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE.
5 BUT THE OPPORTUNITIES TO GET AHEAD OF IT, TO START THE
6 PLANNING, TO START EVALUATING AS TO HOW PEOPLE ARE UTILIZING
7 THESE SERVICES AND HOW TO START DEALING WITH YOUR FREQUENT
8 FLIERS AND ALL THE KINDS OF ISSUES OF PEOPLE WHO AREN'T GOING
9 TO MANAGE THEIR OWN HEALTH CARE ARE THE KINDS OF ISSUES THAT
10 WILL TRY US IN DIFFERENT WAYS. BUT IF WE HAVE THIS KIND OF
11 TEAM IN PLACE WITH THE KIND OF COLLABORATION THAT IS GOING ON,
12 WE WILL BE IN GOOD HANDS AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND START SORTING
13 OUT ALL OUR RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES TO THE AFFORDABLE CARE
14 THAT HAS ITS OWN CHALLENGES ALL BY ITSELF. BUT IT STILL LEAVES
15 A WHOLE SERIES OF FOLKS THAT ARE JUST NOT GOING TO GET COVERED
16 FOR ALL KINDS OF REASONS AND YET WE NEED TO MANAGE THEIR CARE
17 AS WELL IN ANY WAY THAT WE CAN DO SO. SO I CONGRATULATE THE
18 TEAM FOR A VERY THOROUGH PLAN THAT I THINK IS VERY EFFECTIVE.
19 AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP THAT YOU HAVE SHOWN IN
20 THAT REGARD.

21

22 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ON BEHALF OF ALL OF
23 US.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANYTHING ELSE? OKAY, THANK YOU.

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2 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE DID HAVE ONE. IT'S A RECEIVE AND FILE
5 BUT WE DID HAVE ONE LATE SIGN UP. KATHY OCHOA? NAME OUT OF THE
6 PAST. WELCOME BACK.

7

8 **KATHY OCHOA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS.
9 KATHY OCHOA, SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION. THIS TIME
10 WITH UNITED HEALTHCARE WORKERS WEST FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS.
11 I WANTED TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSAL BY DR. FIELDING WITH
12 REGARDS TO THE STATE GRANT FOR OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENT. AMONG
13 THE REMAINING UNINSURED AND AMONG THE CHALLENGES SUPERVISOR
14 KNABE THAT YOU JUST POINTED OUT ABOUT HOW TO PAY FOR THE
15 REMAINING UNINSURED, AND I AM HERE DITTOING AND IN SOLIDARITY
16 WITH ALL OF MY TEAM BACK HERE, IS TO CHANGE THE PAYER MIX. HOW
17 DO YOU CHANGE THE PAYER MIX AS YOU SUCCESSFULLY BRING MORE
18 PEOPLE INTO COVERAGE WITHIN THE COUNTY SYSTEM. YESTERDAY WE
19 HONORED CESAR CHAVEZ BY REACHING A UNION-WIDE GOAL OF
20 ENROLLING 10,000 PEOPLE THIS YEAR. OUR OVERALL GOAL WAS 20. WE
21 REACHED 10,000. THAT'S ON TOP OF THE 3,000 WE DID LAST YEAR,
22 PAST YEAR AND A HALF BRINGING 3,000 PEOPLE INTO HEALTHY WAY
23 L.A. WHO NOW ARE SUCCESSFULLY PART OF MEDICAID EXPANSION.
24 D.P.H.'S LEAD OF A MULTIDEPARTMENT COLLABORATIVE THAT IS GOING
25 TO BE DRAWING DOWN SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE STATE TO

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1 HELP WITH MEDICAID OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENT. CESAR CHAVEZ
2 TAUGHT US THAT WHAT COULD BE DONE WITH FEW RESOURCES. HE WAS
3 ABOUT SI, SE PUEDE. A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO THE DEPARTMENT HEADS
4 OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES HAD A COMMUNITY TEAM MEETING AND MANY
5 OF US WERE VERY DISAPPOINTED ABOUT THE NO SE PUEDE ABOUT HOW
6 THE RESOURCES WERE GOING TO BE INVESTED, AND IT WOULD BE
7 LOVELY TO HAVE YOUR ATTENTION WHILE I'M UP HERE TESTIFYING.
8 THIS IS ABOUT BRINGING YOUR CONSTITUENTS INTO COVERAGE, ABOUT
9 BRINGING COVERED LIVES INTO THE COUNTY SYSTEM. WE HAVE A TRACK
10 RECORD, MANY OF THE PARTNERS OUT HERE, HAVE A TRACK RECORD OF
11 DOING EXACTLY WHAT IT TAKES TO GET ALL OF YOU ELECTED,
12 IDENTIFYING YOUR LEAD, ASSESSING THEM, DOING THE OUTREACH,
13 GETTING THEM COMMITTED, REMINDING THEM, TURNING THEM OUT, AND
14 CONFIRMING THAT THEY GOT THERE TO VOTE. IT'S OF MORE DIFFICULT
15 TO FIND THE LIKELY UNINSURED USING THAT MODEL, BUT WE HAVE
16 BEEN SUCCESSFUL. AND WE HAVE LEARNED FROM OUR EXPERIENCE. I
17 WOULD LIKE TO URGE YOU TO URGE YOUR HEALTH DEPUTIES TO LOOK
18 VERY CLOSELY AT THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE DEPARTMENTS ARE GOING
19 TO CHOOSE THEIR COMMUNITY PARTNERS. FOR EXAMPLE, D.M.H. IS
20 GOING TO DEPEND ON TWO ENTITIES COUNTYWIDE TO REACH ALL OF THE
21 HARD-TO-REACH MENTAL HEALTH POPULATION. IT HAD MANY OF THE
22 HOMELESS GROUPS. LIKE WHAT YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LOOK AT WHO IS
23 SUCCESSFUL?

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** KATHY, YOU NEED TO WRAP IT UP.

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2 **KATHY OCHOA:** I WILL CLOSE BY SAYING THAT YOU HAVE AN
3 OPPORTUNITY HERE TO CHANGE THE VERY PROBLEM THAT YOU GRAPPLE
4 WITH ON A DAILY BASIS, WHICH IS THE COUNTY BUDGET, BY BRINGING
5 MORE PAYING PATIENTS IN. PLEASE VISIT, PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF
6 KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT HOW THOSE PRECIOUS SEVEN MILLION DOLLARS
7 THAT ARE GOING TO COME IN FOR OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENT ARE
8 GOING TO BE LEVERAGED INTO PROGRAMS THAT ARE SUCCESSFUL IN
9 REACHING THE HARD-TO-REACH.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

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13 **KATHY OCHOA:** AND I'LL BE BACK.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, YOU'VE BEEN GONE A LOT AND STILL
16 USE THAT OLD TRICK. ALL RIGHT. NICE TO SEE YOU.

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18 **KATHY OCHOA:** I DO, YEAH, IT WORKS. THANK YOU FOR PAYING
19 ATTENTION.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SO IT'S A RECEIVE AND
22 FILE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?
23 HE'S GONE. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
2 MEMORY OF ALAN KANES WHO PASSED AWAY ON SUNDAY AFTER A SHORT
3 ILLNESS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE MARTA, TWO SONS EVAN AND
4 JASON, A DAUGHTER LISA MANDEL, MY CHILDREN'S DEPUTY. FOUR
5 GRANDCHILDREN, HANNA, ELI, CARTER AND MIA AND OTHER FAMILY
6 MEMBERS.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. ANYTHING ELSE? MARK, DO YOU
9 HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMBER
12 OF LOUISE CECILIA FRANCES BROWN DAUGHTER OF PALOS VERDES
13 RESIDENTS PAT AND FRANK BROWN WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE
14 AGE OF 52. SHE GRADUATED FROM ROLLING HILLS HIGH SCHOOL WORKED
15 AT GOODWILL INDUSTRIES FOR MANY YEARS. TOOK ACTING CLASSES AND
16 STARRED IN A VERY POIGNANT EPISODE OF E.R. SHE LEARNED SIGN
17 LANGUAGE AND HELPED SIGN AT ST. MARGARET MARY'S CHURCH
18 SERVICES. SHE WAS AN ADVOCATE FOR THE DEVELOPMENTALLY
19 DISABLED. SHE APPEARED AS A GUEST SPEAKER AT MANY EVENTS. SHE
20 ALSO ENJOYED BEING AN USHER IF THE NORRIS THEATER. IN 2008 THE
21 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HONORED HER AND HER PARENTS AS CITIZEN OF
22 THE YEAR AWARD. SHE WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR HER DARLING
23 SMILE. SHE WAS A VERY SPECIAL LADY. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
24 PARENTS, FRANK AND PAT, THREE SISTERS, FRANCINE, NICOLE AND
25 CHRISTINE AND ONE BROTHER JAMES. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN

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1 MEMORY OF TIM KEELER, A WHITTIER NATIVE AND TEACHER OF
2 CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT A VERY
3 YOUNG AGE OF 53. GREW UP IN SOUTH WHITTIER. ATTENDED SIERRA
4 HIGH SCHOOL, CAL STATE FULLERTON. HE TAUGHT DIGITAL
5 PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO PRODUCTION AT CAL HIGH THROUGH THEIR
6 TRI-CITIES R.O.P. PROGRAM. HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE WHITTIER
7 COMMUNITY COACHING HIGH SCHOOL, BASEBALL, FOOTBALL AND
8 WRESTLING FOR MANY YEARS AND INVOLVED WITH THE ROTARY CLUB AND
9 WAS SETTING UP TELEVISED WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. HE
10 WAS INVOLVED WITH CABLE CHANEL FOR PRODUCTION IN THE
11 UNINCORPORATED AREA FOR US FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS AN IMPORTANT
12 PART OF THE UNINCORPORATED WHITTIER AND THE GREATER WHITTIER
13 COMMUNITY AND AN IMPORTANT PART AT CAL HIGH. HE WILL BE
14 REMEMBERED FOR HIS UPBEAT, CARING AND SELFLESS PERSONALITY. HE
15 WILL TRULY BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN
16 MEMORY OF CHUCK LOPEZ, A LAKEWOOD RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY
17 RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 84. HE SERVED IN THE ARMY, ENJOYED HIS
18 RETIREMENT PLAYING THE PIANO, DANCING, READING AND SPORTS.
19 EVEN PLAYING SOME GOLF. HE AND HIS WIFE DORIE WERE MARRIED FOR
20 54 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY DORIE, THREE CHILDREN: SHARON,
21 LARRY, GREG AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY
22 ALL WHO KNEW HIM. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF VIOLET MARIE
23 SAMPSON. SHE WAS 94 YEARS OLD. SHE MARRIED HER HUSBAND CARL IN
24 THE '40S. THEY WERE MARRIED FOR 55 YEARS. SHE WAS A VERY
25 ACTIVE VOLUNTEER AT ST. MARY'S HOSPICE AND SERVED A CHURCH,

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1 ST. DOMINICK SAVIO. SHE BE TRULY MISSED. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
2 HER SONS VICTOR AND VINCENT, GRANDCHILDREN: JENNIFER, KRISTEN,
3 NICOLE, ANDY AND KIM, AND NINE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. AND ALSO
4 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF "GIBBY" TRUJILLO, A LONGTIME
5 WHITTIER RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY OF A HEART ATTACK ON MARCH
6 26TH AT HIS HOME. HE WAS A C.A.D. OPERATOR RETIRED FROM HUGHES
7 AIRCRAFT. HE ENJOYED RECREATIONAL FLYING, PLAYING TENNIS AND
8 MANY OTHER ACTIVITIES. HE WAS KNOWN AS A DEDICATED FAMILY MAN
9 AND WAS TRULY LOVED BUY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
10 TWO BROTHERS, THREE SISTERS, THREE GENERATIONS OF NIECES AND
11 NEPHEWS AND COUSINS. HE HAD AN INCREDIBLE SENSE OF HUMOR AND
12 WAS A KINDHEARTED DUDE. AND WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY ALL OF
13 US. FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FLORENCE WITTER. MY
14 MOTHER'S SISTER, WHO PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 27TH AT THE AGE OF
15 98. MY AUNT FLORENCE AND MY MOM ARE THE ONLY TWO, WERE THE
16 ONLY TWO OF 12 CHILDREN. SO MY MOM IS THE LAST HERMAN
17 STANDING. SHE ENJOYED A FREQUENT CONVERSATIONS WITH HER
18 SISTER. SHE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS.
19 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER TWO DAUGHTERS, MARILYN AND LINDA AND HER
20 SISTER LUCILLE KNABE. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, SO ORDERED.
21 MIKE?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST ON MY MOTIONS I'D LIKE TO MOVE FOR NEXT
24 WEEK THAT "ON FEBRUARY 16TH 27-YEAR-OLD MARCUS NIETO WAS
25 DISCOVERED ON THE ALTADENA CREST HORSE TRAIL BY TWO RIDERS ON

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1 HORSEBACK. THE INVESTIGATION LED TO THE FACT THAT THAT HE WAS
2 LAST SEEN ALIVE AT HIS RESIDENCE ON FEBRUARY 15TH.
3 INVESTIGATORS CONFIRMED THAT MARCUS HAD LEFT HIS RESIDENCE TO
4 VISIT FRIENDS IN THE CITY OF POMONA BUT MAY HAVE RETURNED TO
5 THE COVINA/AZUSA AREA AT SOME POINT BEFORE HE WENT MISSING.
6 MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER HAS DETERMINED THE MODE OF DEATH TO
7 BE A HOMICIDE. LEADS IN THE CASE HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED RESULTING
8 IN THE SHIERIFF REQUESTING THAT PUBLIC ASSISTANCE WITH
9 INFORMATION TO HELP SOLVE THE CASE." SO THIS WOULD BE TO OFFER
10 REWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF 20,000 DOLLARS IN EXCHANGE FOR
11 INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND/OR CONVICTION OF THE
12 SUSPECTS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HOMICIDE 27-YEAR-OLD MARCUS NIETO
13 ON OR ABOUT FEBRUARY 16, 2013. I THINK WE CAN READ THAT IN
14 TODAY.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO MOVED. SO ORDERED.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FOR NEXT WEEK, MR. CHAIRMAN, LESTER "LES"
19 WHITE AND THIS IS AT THE REQUEST OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY SEARCH
20 AND RESCUE TEAM AND PEOPLE WITHIN ANTELOPE VALLEY, LESTER
21 "LES" WHITE DEDICATED VOLUNTEER SERVED THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
22 COMMUNITY FOR OVER 42 YEARS. HE JOINED THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
23 MOUNTED POSSE IN 1972 AND BECAME CAPTAIN OF THE NEWLY-FORMED
24 ANTELOPE VALLEY SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM. IN 1977 HE BECAME --
25 THIS BECAME THE FIRST UNIT IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO

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1 REQUIRE ALL TEAM EFFORTS TO BE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS.
2 HE FORMED A NONPROFIT CORPORATION TO OBTAIN FUNDS FOR ITS
3 OPERATION AND APPLIED FOR GRANTS TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT FOR
4 THAT TEAM'S OPERATIONS. IN 1995 HE BECAME A PAID MEMBER OF THE
5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS A COMMUNITY SERVICE ASSISTANT WHILE
6 CONTINUING TO VOLUNTEER WITH THE RESERVE UNIT. IN '97 HE
7 BECAME THE DEPARTMENT'S FIRST AND ONLY CIVILIAN ASSISTANCE
8 RESERVE COORDINATOR. HE STEPPED DOWN FROM THAT POSITION AND
9 RESERVED CAPTAIN AND CONTINUED TO SUPPORT THE TEAM BOTH ON AND
10 OFF DUTY IN HIS NEW ROLE. DURING HIS 42-YEAR CAREER, HE
11 TOUCHED THE LIVES OF UNTOLD NUMBER OF PEOPLE. HE WORKED IN
12 PATROL, DETECTIVE BUREAU AS A HELICOPTER OBSERVER AND AN AREA
13 5 E.M.T. THE SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM IS FITTING THAT IT WOULD
14 LIKE TO HAVE THEIR PEER, MENTOR AND FRIEND HAVE THE NORTH
15 COUNTY REGIONAL TRAINING FACILITY IN WRIGHTWOOD NORTH COUNTY
16 REGIONAL FACILITY IN LES WHITE'S NAME. SO I MOVE THAT THE
17 BOARD RENAME THAT NORTH COUNTY REGIONAL TRAINING FACILITY IN
18 WRIGHTWOOD, CALIFORNIA IN HONOR OF LESTER "LES" WHITE WHO WAS
19 A DEDICATED VOLUNTEER, MENTOR AND FRIEND OF THE ANTELOPE
20 VALLEY SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM. ALSO NEXT WEEK LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY'S BOARD HAS BEEN SO STRONG IN SUPPORTING TO FIGHT FOR
22 THE EPIDEMIC IN HUMAN TRAFFICKING AS SUCH WORKING WITH
23 FEDERAL, STATE AND LEADERS TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES, HOUSE
24 RESOLUTION 3344 BY CONGRESSMAN ROYCE-CALIFORNIA THE FRAUDULENT
25 OVERSEAS RECRUITMENT, TRAFFICKING ELIMINATION FORTE ACT OF

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1 2013 ASSURES THAT THE PROVISION OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE DOESN'T
2 CONTRIBUTE TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND WILL FURTHERMORE HELP
3 COMBAT HUMAN TRAFFICKING BY REQUIRING TRANSPARENCY IN THE
4 RECRUITMENT OF FOREIGN WORKERS. THE REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN
5 WORKERS UNDER THIS BILL WOULD AID IN THE ELIMINATION OF
6 CORRUPT OVERSEAS RECRUITMENT AND SEX TRAFFICKING IN FOREIGN
7 NATIONS. IN ADDITION, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE COULD
8 UTILIZE CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION TO MAINTAIN AND MAKE
9 PUBLIC THE INFORMATION REGARDING THE IDENTITIES OF FOREIGN
10 LABOR CONTRACTORS AND THEIR EMPLOYERS. SO THIS WOULD MOVE THAT
11 THE BOARD WOULD SUPPORT THAT LEGISLATION. AND THEN FOR MY
12 ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, MR. CHAIRMAN, GOOD FRIEND OF OURS AND
13 PERSONAL FRIEND SUPPORTER, JUSTICE WILLIAM MASTERSON PASSED
14 AWAY ON MARCH 11. YEAH, YES, YES. HE WAS 85. BILL WAS A DRILL
15 INSTRUCTOR IN THE U.S. ARMY. ALL MEMBERS. BEFORE ATTENDING
16 U.C.L.A. LAW SCHOOL. BUSINESS TRIAL LAWYER FOR ALMOST 30
17 YEARS. BILL WAS APPOINTED TO SUPERIOR COURT IN 1988. HE SERVED
18 FOR FIVE YEARS. HE SERVED TWO TERMS AS A MEMBER OF THE
19 CALIFORNIA JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE COMMISSION AND THEN WAS
20 ELEVATED TO THE ASSOCIATE JUSTICE CALIFORNIA COURT OF APPEAL
21 IN 1993. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JULIE AND THEIR FOUR
22 CHILDREN. FORMER CITY COUNCILMAN SID TYLER OF PASADENA
23 TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 28TH. HE SERVED IN THE MARINE
24 CORPS AFTER BEING DISCHARGED HE WORKED AT XEROX CORPORATION'S
25 MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC OPERATIONS AND THEN TENET HEALTHCARE CORP.

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1 WHERE HE SERVED AS EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT. HE WAS A
2 PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE PASADENA CITY COUNCIL FOR 12 YEARS.
3 STRONG ADVOCATE OF FISCAL DISCIPLINE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
4 WIFE BETSY AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. SENATOR JEREMIAH DENTON,
5 PRISONER OF WAR DURING THE VIETNAM WAR, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
6 OF 89. HE WAS A NAVAL AVIATOR IN 1965 WHEN HE WAS SHOT DOWN,
7 CAPTURED AND HELD PRISONER FOR ALMOST EIGHT YEARS, FOUR OF
8 THOSE IN SOLITARY CONFINEMENT, MANY OF THOSE JUST IN A CAGE
9 THAT HE COULD JUST STAND IN. DENTON IS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS 1966
10 TELEVISED PRESS CONFERENCE IN WHICH HE WAS FORCED TO
11 PARTICIPATE BY HIS NORTH VIETNAMESE CAPTORS BY BLINKING HIS
12 EYES IN MORSE CODE, HE USED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE FIRST TIME
13 TO INFORM NAVAL INTELLIGENCE THAT THE AMERICAN P.O.W.S WERE
14 BEING TORTURED IN NORTH VIETNAM. HIS IMPRISONMENT AT THE HANDS
15 OF THE NORTH NORTH VIETNAMESE WAS E BASIS OF HIS BOOK "WHEN
16 HELL IS IN SESSION" WHICH WAS MADE INTO A MOTION PICTURE. AND
17 HE WAS A NAVY COMMANDER AND CAPTAIN WHO RECEIVED NUMEROUS
18 MILITARY AWARDS AND RETIRED AS AN ADMIRAL AND THEN WAS ELECTED
19 TO THE SENATE. NICK DELLI QUADRI RESIDENT OF ARCADIA PASSED
20 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 67. HE WAS A STRUCTURAL ENGINEER WITH THE
21 CITY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY
22 FOR 36 YEARS. KATHRYN JORGENSEN OF PALMDALE PASSED AWAY AT THE
23 AGE OF 56. SHE WAS INVOLVED WITH THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IN
24 L.A. COUNTY AS A P.T.A. VOLUNTEER THEN WITH THE NORWALK-LA
25 MIRADA SCHOOL DISTRICT, LATER BECAME EMPLOYEE OF THE PALMDALE

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1 SCHOOL DISTRICT. TERRY ECCLES LIFELONG RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE
2 VALLEY WORKED FOR HIGH DESERT MEDICAL GROUP AND THE CALIFORNIA
3 STATE PRISON AND FOR MIRA LOMA HOSPITAL FOR 34 YEARS. PAUL
4 DOUGLAS COOKE, RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA WAS A LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY FIREFIGHTER AND PARAMEDIC, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
6 37. ROBERT BOWMAN, HE WAS THE FOUNDER OF THE FAR EAST
7 BROADCASTING COMPANY, A LARGE NETWORK OF RADIO STATIONS
8 BROADCASTING THE CHRISTIAN GOSPEL THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. AND HE
9 PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 11TH. LAWRENCE LAWSON, RETIRED DEPUTY
10 SHERIFF, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE NARCOTICS
11 BUREAU. JOHN "JACK" PASCOE, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA
12 CLARITA. SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY NATIONAL GUARD FOR
13 FOUR YEARS AND THEN BECAME MANAGER OF THE NEWHALL REFINELY
14 COMPANY AND VOLUNTEERED FOR THE SANTA CLARITA SHERIFF'S
15 STATION FOR 15 YEARS. DUANE RASURE, RETIRED SERGEANT LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS
17 IN THE HOMICIDE BUREAU. AND DON SIMPSON, RETIRED SERGEANT FROM
18 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE PAST 27
19 YEARS. THE FINAL ONE IS FOR THE HONORABLE JAMES SCHLESINGER
20 FORMER UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF ENERGY, SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
21 AND PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85. HE WAS ALTHOUGH RAISED IN A
22 JEWISH FAMILY, HE CONVERTED TO THE LUTHERAN FAITH WHILE A
23 STUDENT AT HARVARD WHERE HE EARNED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
24 1950, HIS MASTER'S IN '52 AND DOCTORATE IN '56. HIS CAREER
25 BEGAN IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE UNDER PRESIDENT NIXON'S

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1 ADMINISTRATION AS AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR IN THE OFFICE OF
2 MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, LATER SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE ATOMIC
3 ENERGY COMMISSION AND DIRECTOR OF THE C.I.A. HE ALSO SERVED AS
4 DEFENSE SECRETARY UNDER PRESIDENTS NIXON AND FORD AND
5 PRESIDENT CARTER APPOINTED HIM AS THE FIRST SECRETARY OF
6 ENERGY IN 1977. UNDER SCHLESINGER'S CAREER, THE "WALL STREET
7 JOURNAL" SAID "HIS POSITIONS ATOP THE GOVERNMENT IN YEARS OF
8 HIGH TURMOIL AND COLD WAR DRAMA MADE HIM A CENTRAL PLAYER IN
9 SOME OF THE BIGGEST EVENTS OF THE LAST GENERATION." HE HELPED
10 CRAFT THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS STRATEGY AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION
11 AND LED THE C.I.A. DURING THE PERIOD OF TURMOIL AFTER IT HAD
12 BEEN DRAWN TO THE EDGES OF THE WATERGATE SCANDAL. HE BEGAN IN
13 THE IDEA OF MILITARY DETERRENCE AND THAT INCLUDED THE U.S.
14 MILITARY DETERRENT. IN A TYPICALLY BLUNT ASSERTION DURING A
15 INTERVIEW WITH THE JOURNAL, HE SAID "NUCLEAR WEAPONS ARE USED
16 EVERY DAY. THEY'RE USED TO DETER OUR POTENTIAL FOES AND
17 PROVIDE REASSURANCE TO THE ALLIES TO WHOM WE OFFER OUR
18 PROTECTION." HIS ROBUST CLARITY ABOUT THE NATURE OF THREAT AND
19 ADVERSARIES IS OUT OF FAVOR IN WASHINGTON THESE DAYS WHERE
20 FOREIGN POLICY TASTES RUN NOW MORE TOWARD NUANCE. JAMES
21 SCHLESINGER, CARD-CARRYING ECONOMIST HAD NOTHING AGAINST
22 NUANCE. HE SIMPLY WANTED TO DO WHATEVER NECESSARY TO MAKE SURE
23 THAT THE U.S. NEVER ENDED UP ON THE WRONG SIDE OF IT. THE
24 POINT OF VIEW IS MISSED AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS EIGHT
25 CHILDREN AND ELEVERN GRANDCHILDREN. AND HE WAS THE ONE

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1 SECRETARY OF DEFENSE THAT PROVIDED THE VITAL AIR LIFT TO
2 ISRAEL DURING THE ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CONFLICT IN THE '70S.
3 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU
6 HAVE? OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST HANDED THIS. DR. DAVID MURPHY WAS THE
9 CORPORATE MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF EXODUS RECOVERY INC., A CONTRACT
10 AGENCY OF THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, BOARD
11 CERTIFIED IN INTERNAL MEDICINE WAS A PIONEER IN ADDICTION
12 MEDICINE. THE FOUNDER OF THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL BOARD'S
13 PHYSICIANS DIVERSION PROGRAM. DR. MURPHY PROFOUNDLY CHANGED
14 THE LIVES OF NUMEROUS PHYSICIANS WHO ACHIEVED MEANINGFUL AND
15 PRODUCTIVE CAREERS AS THEY RECOVERED FROM SUBSTANCE ABUSE
16 DISORDERS. EXODUS RECOVERY INC. WHICH HE FOUNDED WAS AN
17 ACCLAIMED PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS
18 AND CO-OCCURRING SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS. MOST NOTABLE DR.
19 MURPHY AND HIS WIFE ESTABLISHED TWO MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE
20 CENTERS THAT SERVE AS MODELS FOR SIMILAR PROGRAMS IN OTHER
21 COUNTIES THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA. HIS VISION FOR INTEGRATED
22 TREATMENT CULMINATED IN THE CREATION OF AN INTEGRATED MOBILE
23 HEALTH TEAM SERVING INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE HOMELESS AND HAVE
24 MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MEDICAL CONDITIONS. DR.
25 MURPHY DEDICATED HIMSELF TO PROVIDING TREATMENT FOR THOSE WHO

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1 MIGHT OTHERWISE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO RECEIVE CARE. HE IS
2 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LUANA AND EXTEND FAMILY.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WANTS TO
7 JOIN ME ON THAT ONE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS IS FINE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. PUBLIC COMMENTS. ERIC PREVEN,
14 STEVE DIAZ, DEBORAH BURTON, AND STEVE RICHARDSON WILL BE THE
15 FIRST FOUR.

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FOR
18 DISTRICT 3 AND CANDIDATE FOR THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
19 SEAT. TODAY WAS AN ITEM, OUR NEW SHERIFF JOHN SCOTT SIGNED
20 ABOUT ACKNOWLEDGING A GIFT FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY SHERIFF'S
21 DEPARTMENT FOR 47,000 DOLLARS' WORTH OF NEW TASERS. NOW, IS AS
22 THIS AUGUST BOARD WILL RECALL, IT WAS IN OCTOBER OF 2012 THAT
23 RICHARD WEISS WAS MADE AWARE OF THE FACT THAT SHERIFF BACA HAD
24 ALSO ACCEPTED 50,000 DOLLARS' WORTH OF NEW TASERS FOR THAT
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY GROUP FROM A BOOSTERS CLUB. BUT THE BOOSTERS

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1 WERE ACTUALLY WASTE MANAGEMENT, A GROUP THAT SUPERVISOR
2 KNABE'S SON LOBBIES FOR QUITE NICELY. HE'S NEAR 200,000
3 PROGRAM TO DATE. AND SO I JUST FELT THAT WE SHOULD COMPLY WITH
4 THE LAW AND THE CODE AND ANNOUNCE TO THIS BOARD THAT GIFTS
5 OVER 10,000 DOLLARS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CODE THAT MR. WEISS
6 KNOWS WELL, THAT THE SHERIFF IS SUPPOSED TO DO THAT. HE
7 DIDN'T. AND I'M JUST TRYING TO GET A SENSE OF IF THIS IS THE
8 SAME 50,000 DOLLARS' WORTH OF TASERS OR IF IT IS A DIFFERENT,
9 SECOND LOAD OF TASERS. ALTOGETHER IT'S UPSETTING BECAUSE THE
10 TASER PROGRAM IS WORRISOME AT BEST, ESPECIALLY OUT IN THE
11 ANTELOPE VALLEY WHERE WE'VE HAD THOSE CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES. AND
12 SO I JUST ASK THIS BOARD TO LOOK INTO THAT AND TO SOMEHOW COME
13 CLEAN ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING. I REALIZE THAT WE'RE IN THE
14 PROCESS OF DOING THAT BY THIS ITEM, AND BY THE WAY, THAT ITEM
15 IS ITEM 45 IF I GOT IT CORRECT. THE D.C.F.S. ITEM THAT WAS
16 DELAYED 120 MILLION DOLLARS IN FOSTER PROGRAMS AND SUCH, THE
17 LIST OF THOSE PROGRAMS, AND THERE ARE 71 OF THEM, ARE ON PAGE
18 392 OF THE BOARD LETTER. SO I WOULD JUST DIRECT YOU TO LOOK AT
19 THAT SO THEN YOU COULD SCAN AND SEE IF SOME OF THOSE GROUPS
20 ARE THE GROUPS WE'VE HAD PROBLEMS WITH. AND I NOW KNOW THAT WE
21 HAVE 7 AUDITORS COMING THANKS TO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
22 HOPEFULLY WE CAN [INAUDIBLE] SO THANK YOU [INAUDIBLE]

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT? NEXT WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO GO?

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1 **DEBORAH BURTON:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS DEBORAH BURTON. I AM
2 A SKID ROW RESIDENT. MY ADDRESS IS 622 SOUTH WALL STREET. I'M
3 HERE TODAY TO TALK ABOUT THE MASTER LEASE AT THE CECIL HOTEL.
4 MANY OF OUR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT
5 RECTIFYING THE HOMELESS POPULATION SITUATION ON SKID ROW. WHEN
6 WE HEARD ABOUT THE MASTER LEASE, EVERYBODY WAS EXCITED,
7 KNOWING THAT THIS WOULD MEAN THAT 500 RESIDENTS IN THE SKID
8 ROW COMMUNITY WHO ARE HOMELESS WHO NEED HOUSING WILL HAVE
9 ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WE WERE DISAPPOINTED TO HEAR
10 THAT THE -- MS. MOLINA AND SOME OF THE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE
11 DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY THOUGHT THIS WAS NOT A GOOD IDEA. I MEAN,
12 HOW CAN YOU SAY THIS IS NOT A GOOD IDEA FOR 500 PEOPLE TO BE
13 PUT INTO PERMANENT HOUSING? THERE ARE DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS
14 AND ALSO RESIDENTS WHO SUPPORT THIS IDEA. YOU SAY YOU'VE MET
15 WITH COMMUNITY RESIDENTS? WELL YOU HAVE NOT MET WITH US
16 BECAUSE WE SUPPORT BRINGING MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE
17 DOWNTOWN COMMUNITY. IT WAS INTERESTING TODAY TO HEAR WHEN YOU
18 HAD THE PRESENTATION ABOUT HEALTHCARE, THERE IS A CONNECTION
19 BETWEEN HOUSING AND HEALTHCARE. IF YOU DON'T HAVE HOUSING YOUR
20 YOUR HEALTH WILL DETERIORATE. THERE IS A CONNECTION. IT WAS
21 INTERESTING TO KNOW THAT SOMEBODY WAS TALKING ABOUT PUPPIES
22 NEED HOUSING? WELL THE HOMELESS NEED HOUSING, TOO. HEALTHCARE,
23 HYGIENE, HOUSING. THOSE ARE CONNECTED TOGETHER. THANK YOU.
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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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2 **STEVE DIAZ:** YEAH, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
3 IS STEVE DIAZ AND I AM WITH THE L.A. COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK.
4 I COME HERE TODAY BEFORE YOU TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION AN
5 EXTREME IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT COULD IMPACT COULD HAVE AN IMPACT
6 ON HOMELESSNESS ON THE FIRST AND SECOND SUPERVISORIAL
7 DISTRICTS. THE CECIL HOTEL, A 600-UNIT RESIDENTIAL HOTEL WHERE
8 THE MAJORITY OF BUILDINGS -- WITH THE MAJORITY OF THE
9 BUILDING'S UNITS SIT VACANT. THIS BUILDING WAS SUPPOSED TO BE
10 TURNED INTO PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IN A PARTNERSHIP WITH
11 THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND HOME FOR GOOD.
12 YET WE CAME TO HEAR THAT THIS OPPORTUNITY IS NOT MOVING
13 FORWARD. ON ANY GIVEN NIGHT, THERE ARE OVER 1,500 PEOPLE
14 SLEEPING ON THE STREET AND OTHERS MORE SLEEPING IN SHORT-TERM
15 EMERGENCY AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING. THIS IS A GREAT
16 OPPORTUNITY TO LINK HOUSELESS PEOPLE WITH PEOPLELESS HOMES.
17 UNDER THE PROPOSED SUPPORTIVE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT,
18 THE COUNTY COULD MAKE THE LARGEST IMPACT ON ENDING
19 HOMELESSNESS IN ONE SINGLE PROJECT THAN EVER BEFORE. OFTEN WE
20 HEAR THAT THE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, THAT THE RESOURCES JUST
21 DON'T EXIST TO SUBSTANTIALLY ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS. BUT THE
22 D.H.S. RESOURCES DO EXIST AND COULD BE USED TO MOVE THIS
23 PROJECT FORWARD QUICKLY. WE ASK SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND
24 SUPERVISOR THOMAS TO TAKE LEADERSHIP ON THIS PROJECT AND

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1 ENSURE THAT PEOPLE WHO NEED HOUSING CAN BE ABLE TO ACCESS IT
2 LIKE MANY OF US WHO ARE SPEAKING TODAY. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, BUT BEFORE YOU
5 START, LET ME CALL SOME OTHER FOLKS UP. JAMES PORTER. BECKY
6 DENNISON AND AGNES DIANE SAVARY.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GENERAL DOGA AND I'M A
9 LONG TERM SKID ROW RESIDENT. BASICALLY I'M HERE TODAY TO
10 ENCOURAGE THIS COMMISSION TO DO WHATEVER YOU GOT TO DO TO GET
11 BACK ON TRACK AND PUSH THIS MASTER LEASE PROGRAM AT THE CECIL
12 FORWARD. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS VERY NEEDED ON SKID ROW.
13 AND I'M ALSO HERE TO TELL YOU TO STOP LISTENING TO ALL THESE
14 NAY SAYERS AND ALL THESE HOMELESS HATERS. EVERY TIME THEY READ
15 IN THE DOWNTOWN NEWSPAPER, YEAH, SERIOUSLY, EVERY TIME THEY
16 READ IN "DOWNTOWN" NEWSPAPER THAT THE HOMELESS IS GOING TO GET
17 A HELPING HAND, THEN THEY START COMPLAINING, JUMPING UP AND
18 DOWN LIKE A THREE-YEAR-OLD, YOU KNOW. ALSO, I WANT TO SAY THAT
19 I WAS ON THE BLOCK LAST WEEK WHEN YOU HAD L.A.P.D. THAT WAS ON
20 THE BLOCK DOING OUTREACH. THEY WERE DOING OUTREACH FOR
21 L.A.C.H.S.A. FOR HOUSING. AND THEY WERE OFFERING PEOPLE ON THE
22 BLOCK TO MOVE IN TEMPORARY SHELTER. AND THEY COULDN'T FIGURE
23 OUT WHY NOBODY ON THE BLOCK ACCEPTED THEIR OFFER TO MOVE INTO
24 A TEMPORARY SHELTER. BECAUSE NOBODY IS GOING TO MOVE INTO --
25 PEOPLE ARE TIRED AND DISGUSTED WITH BEING RECYCLED IN AND OUT

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1 OF SHELTERS. PEOPLE WANT HOUSE KEYS LIKE WHAT WE GOT. HOUSE
2 KEYS. AND, FOLKS, THIS WAS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO GET 400
3 PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS. THE BUSINESSES AND THE PEOPLE, THE NAY
4 SAYERS, THESE ARE THE SAME FOLKS THAT COME AND TALK ABOUT "OH,
5 WHEN I WAKE UP AND COME OUT OF MY HOUSE, I SEE HOMELESS PEOPLE
6 USING THE BATHROOM" AND ALL THIS STUFF ON THE SIDE, WELL IF
7 YOU'RE TIRED OF THAT JUST PUT FOLKS IN. WOULD YOU RATHER SEE
8 400 TENTS ON MAIN STREET OR WOULD YOU RATHER SEE 400 PEOPLE
9 LIVING IN THE CECIL? IT'S COMMON SENSE. FOLKS, YOU GUYS ARE IN
10 THE POSITION TO WHERE YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO DO THE RIGHT THING.
11 YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO LISTEN TO ALL THESE HATERS. DO THE
12 RIGHT THING AND GET PEOPLE THE SERVICES AND STUFF THAT THEY
13 NEED. AND IN THIS SITUATION, IT WAS THE 400 ROOMS AT THE CECIL
14 HOTEL. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **JAMES PORTER:** MY NAME IS JAMES PORTER. I'M A MEMBER OF L.A
19 CAN, A DOWNTOWN RESIDENT FOR 40 YEARS. THIS IS MY COMMUNITY. I
20 HAVE IN THE 40 YEARS, I HAVE SEEN DOWNTOWN GROW. MORE PEOPLE.
21 MORE OPPORTUNITY AND MORE BUILDINGS. RIGHT NOW WE HAVE THE
22 OPPORTUNITY GROW BY TAKING IN 500 HOMELESS PEOPLE OFF THE
23 STREET. LET ME REMIND YOU THAT EVERYONE DESERVED THE RIGHT TO
24 HOUSING. IF WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO GROW, MAKE SURE THAT
25 EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO HOUSING. LET'S MAKE DOWNTOWN THE

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1 BEST PLACE TO LIVE IN FOR EVERYBODY THAT LIVES IN DOWNTOWN.
2 LET'S SET THE EXAMPLE THROUGHOUT L.A. THAT IT CAN BE DONE.
3 THEY SAID WE HAVE TWO -- OH HERE WE GO. THAT C.C.A. IS
4 COMPLAINING ABOUT HOMELESS SLEEPING ON THE STREET. BUT WHEN
5 THE OPPORTUNITY FOR HOUSING 500 HOMELESS, THEY STOPPED IT WITH
6 ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS. THEY SAY WE HAVE TOO MANY LOW INCOME
7 HOUSING. LET'S MAKE IT CLEAR. AS LONG AS THERE IS HOMELESS,
8 THERE IS NEVER ENOUGH HOUSING. ANYONE WITH THAT KIND OF POWER
9 THAT IS NOT CONCERNED ABOUT HUMAN RIGHTS DON'T CARE ABOUT THE
10 IMPACT THAT IT HAS IN OUR COMMUNITY DO NOT DESERVE TO BE
11 LISTENED TO OR HEARD. THE VOICE OF THE COMMUNITY IS EVERYBODY
12 HAS THE RIGHT TO HOUSING. HOMELESS EXISTS BECAUSE OF LIFE
13 SITUATIONS. IF WE SOLVED THE SITUATIONS, CORRECT THE SITUATION
14 THAT CAUSED HOMELESS, THEN WE WOULDN'T HAVE HOMELESS. SO LET'S
15 WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM TO MAKE DOWNTOWN THE BEST PLACE THAT
16 EVERYBODY COULD LIVE IN.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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20 **JAMES PORTER:** REMEMBER, NOBODY GREW UP SAID THEY WANTED TO BE
21 HOMELESS.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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1 **BECKY DENISON:** HELLO MY NAME IS BECKY DENISON AND I'M ONE OF
2 THE CODIRECTORS OF THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK
3 AND WE WORK ON ISSUES RELATED TO HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS AND
4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT THROUGHOUT DOWNTOWN IN SOUTH CENTRAL LOS
5 ANGELES. AND THIS COMMISSION HAS BEEN VERY FORWARD THINKING IN
6 PUTTING FORWARD THE HOUSING FOR HEALTH PROGRAM AND MOVING
7 FOLKS DIRECTLY INTO PERMANENT HOUSING AS A WAY OF ADDRESSING
8 HOMELESSNESS, REDUCING COST AND DOING THE HUMANE AND RIGHT
9 THING TO DO. SO THAT'S WHY WE CAN'T UNDERSTAND, THEN, WHY THAT
10 VERY EFFECTIVE PROGRAM HAS BEEN PULLED FROM THE CECIL HOTEL. I
11 WANT TO TELL YOU THAT THE CECIL HOTEL IS PROTECTED BY THE
12 CITY'S RESIDENTIAL HOTEL PRESERVATION ORDINANCE. IT'S
13 PROTECTED BY A COURT APPROVED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT. IT CANNOT
14 BE USED FOR ANYTHING ELSE EXCEPT FOR EXTREMELY LOW INCOME
15 HOUSING. IT SITS THERE VACANT, 80 PERCENT VACANT IN OUR
16 COMMUNITY WHEN THERE ARE OVER 1,000 PEOPLE SLEEPING ON THE
17 STREETS AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN NEED OF THIS HOUSING. SO
18 WHY WOULD WE LEAVE THIS PROPERTY VACANT WITHOUT ANY OTHER
19 OPTION FOR USE? IT'S NOT BEING SPECULATED. IT'S NOT GOING TO
20 BE PURCHASED. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE A LUXURY HOTEL OR ANYTHING
21 ELSE THAT FOLKS WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT USED FOR BECAUSE IT WOULD
22 HAVE MULTIPLE PROTECTIONS ON IT. SO TO LEAVE IT VACANT WHEN
23 THERE ARE RESOURCES AVAILABLE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
24 SERVICES, WHEN WORK WAS DONE TO COME TO AN AGREEMENT WITH THIS
25 LANDLORD, WHEN WITHIN A YEAR, 500 PEOPLE COULD MOVE FROM THE

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1 SIDEWALK INSIDE, NOT ONLY HELPING THOSE FOLKS BUT HELPING THE
2 ENTIRE COMMUNITY AND ADDRESSING PROBLEMS THAT A VARIETY OF
3 STAKEHOLDERS COMPLAIN ABOUT, WE ARE URGING YOU TO MEET WITH A
4 VARIETY OF STAKEHOLDERS ON THIS PROJECT. WE ARE URGING YOU TO
5 ENGAGE IN THE PUBLIC DIALOGUE. BUT MOSTLY WE ARE URGING YOU TO
6 RESTART THIS PROJECT AT THE CECIL HOTEL AND INSURE THAT THE
7 HOUSING FOR HEALTH PROGRAM COMES INTO THAT BUILDING, WHICH IS
8 THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS AT SCALE AND MAKE AN IMPACT
9 AND SET AN EXAMPLE FOR WHAT COULD BE DONE IN COMMUNITIES
10 ACROSS THIS COUNTY. IN JUST A WEEK SINCE IT WAS VERY CLEAR
11 THAT THE PROJECT WAS DEAD, THERE'S SERVICE PROVIDERS, THERE'S
12 SMALL BUSINESSES IN HISTORIC CORE IN SUPPORT OF THIS PROJECT.
13 WE WILL BE SUBMITTING YOU THE SUPPORT LETTERS AND ONGOING
14 BUILDING MORE SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ASK ARNOLD SACHS, ADAM RICE,
17 OSCAR MUHAMMAD, YVONNE AUTRY. OSCAR GO AHEAD.

18

19 **OSCAR MUHAMMAD:** YES, MY NAME IS OSCAR MOHAMMED. I SPEAK FOR
20 THE OPPRESSED, I SPEAK FOR THE POOR AND CULTURE CHANGE. IT
21 SEEMS LIKE IN THIS END TIME WE SHOULD INVEST RELIGION
22 EDUCATION TO THE YOUTH OF AMERICA TODAY. AMERICA HAS FALLEN.
23 WE LIVING IN THE END TIMES. WE LIVING IN THE NEW BIRTH OF A
24 NEW GOVERNMENT THAT IS ON THE RISE. BUT, ANYWAY, WE SHOULD END
25 CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT. WE SHOULD MAKE OUR LEADERS MORE

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1 ACCOUNTABLE FOR WHAT THEIR ACTION. AMERICA WOULD BE A OF
2 BETTER COUNTRY IF WE CAN LIVE BY THE CONSTITUTION THAT GOVERNS
3 US. THE CONSTITUTION TELLS US THAT NO RACE SHOULD HAVE
4 AUTHORITY OVER ANOTHER RACE, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE AMERICA IS
5 BUILT UPON CHEAP LABOR AND SLAVE LABOR. I WAS SEEING ABOUT HOW
6 CESAR CHAVEZ DAY WAS YESTERDAY AND HOW SO MANY HISPANIC
7 AMERICANS WORK ON THE FARMLANDS ACROSS AMERICA PRODUCING
8 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS A YEAR, AND WHAT THEIR INCOME IS ABOUT, WE
9 DON'T KNOW. WE SHOULD HAVE A MORE OPEN GOVERNMENT. WE SHOULD
10 ASK FOR MORE HONEST GOVERNMENT. MAJORITY OF OUR FOUNDING
11 FATHERS, THEY HAD HONEST THOMAS JEFFERSON, HONEST ABRAHAM
12 HONEST BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, IT SEEMS LIKE TODAY THE HONEST HAVE
13 LEFT OUR SOCIETY. WE SHOULD REMOVE THE BLACKS OFF OF SKID ROW.
14 WE SHOULD REPLACE THE PEOPLE ON SKID ROW ON THE FARM, LET THEM
15 WORK ON THE FARMS AND SEND OTHER PEOPLE BACK TO THEIR OWN
16 COUNTRY, THOUGH. WE SHOULD NOT TAKE, EXPORT THE POOR AND THE
17 WEAK. BUT WE SEE TODAY OUR POLITICAL SYSTEM IS JUST A POLITICS
18 OF FRAUD, THOUGH. THERE'S FRAUD IN GOVERNMENT FROM MONEY TO
19 HELP THE POOR AND THE NEEDY. AND IT DON'T GO NO FURTHER THAN
20 TO HELP THEMSELVES. WE SHOULD HAVE RELIGION EDUCATION TODAY.
21 WE SHOULD HAVE PRAYER USE TOWED TODAY. WE SHOULD HAVE MORE
22 LAWS IN SOCIETY TODAY. WE LOOK AT MANY BUSINESSES TODAY THAT
23 DO NOT HAVE ANY SUPERVISION ON THE PREMISES. AND MANY OF TIME
24 THOSE PEOPLE ON THEIR MOTORCYCLES RID THEIR MOTORCYCLES ON THE
25 STREET BEHIND ME ON THE SIDEWALK. WE SHOULD FILE AGAINST THE

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1 LEADER OF LOS ANGELES FOR EXPLOITING AND GOING AGAINST THE
2 CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES ENDANGERMENT, CRUEL AND
3 UNUSUAL PUNISHMENT. THAT'S AGAINST OUR CONSTITUTION. EVERYBODY
4 SHOULD BE HELD MORE ACCOUNTABLE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT I'LL ASK JOHN WALSH TO JOIN US UP
7 HERE, PLEASE. GO AHEAD, SIR, MA'AM?

8

9 **ADAM RICE:** GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS, MY NAME IS ADAM RICE.
10 I'M WITH THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK. I
11 RESPECTFULLY WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THAT YOU FORGOT A NAME TODAY
12 WHEN MENTIONING THOSE THAT PASSED. HIS NAME WAS WENDELL
13 JACKSON. AND HE WAS A MAN THAT BROUGHT JOY TO EVERYONE THAT HE
14 MET EVERY DAY, A MAN THAT WOULD GIVE YOU HIS LAST, EVEN THOUGH
15 HE DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING. WENDELL DIED OF WHAT SO MANY PEOPLE
16 IN CENTRAL CITY EAST AND WHAT 8.5 MILLION PEOPLE IN THIS STATE
17 ARE FACED WITH, THIS AILMENT OF POVERTY. NO MATTER THE ACTUAL
18 PHYSICAL CAUSE OF DEATH, THE CAUSE OF WENDELL'S DEATH WAS
19 POVERTY. NOW, WE'RE HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO TAKE A STEP TO
20 SAVE LIVES. PUTTING PEOPLE IN THE CECIL HOTEL SAVES LIVES. IT
21 IMPROVES THE QUALITY OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD. IT IMPROVES THE
22 QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE PEOPLE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND THAT'S
23 SOMETHING WE OFTEN FORGET, ESPECIALLY HERE IN DOWNTOWN LOS
24 ANGELES AND IN LOS ANGELES IN GENERAL IS THAT THE ONLY WAY YOU
25 CAN IMPROVE QUALITY OF LIFE OF SOME IS BY IMPROVING QUALITY OF

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1 LIFE FOR ALL. YOU DON'T WANT TO SEE HOMELESS PEOPLE. YOU HAVE
2 TO PUT THEM IN HOUSING. YOU DON'T WANT TO SEE SICK PEOPLE, YOU
3 HAVE TO HAVE MEDICAL CARE. ALL OF THESE THINGS COULD BE
4 ACCOMPLISHED WITH SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AT THE CECIL HOTEL, WHICH
5 AS BECKY SAID IS THE ONLY THING THAT THAT BUILDING CAN BE USED
6 FOR AND YOU HAVE THE POWER TO DO THIS. ESPECIALLY YOU, MS.
7 MOLINA, AND MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE THIS
8 HAPPEN. WE ASK THAT YOU EXERCISE THAT POWER ON BEHALF OF THE
9 PEOPLE. BECAUSE WE NEED YOU TO DO IT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. AS A MEMBER OF L.A. CAN FORMER BOARD
14 OF DIRECTORS MEMBER AND 11-YEAR RESIDENT DOWNTOWN, I'D LIKE TO
15 URGE THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE OPPOSING THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE
16 THE MOST NEEDY, THE MOST INDIGENT, THE MOST ECONOMICALLY
17 CHALLENGED OF OUR COMMUNITY, I URGE YOU TO USE THE POWER
18 WITHIN YOUR AUTHORITY AT THIS POINT THIS TIME TO RELEASE THE
19 NUMBER OF ROOMS THAT WOULD ENABLE, LIKE I SAID THE MOST NEEDY
20 CONSTITUENCY TO FINALLY HAVE THE RIGHT TO HOUSING, WHICH
21 SHOULD BE AN INALIENABLE RIGHT FOR ALL CONSTITUENTS, WHETHER
22 THEY ARE HOMELESS, WHETHER THEY ARE EMPLOYED OR UNEMPLOYED.
23 AGAIN, I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU COULD EVEN BLOCK THIS OPPORTUNITY
24 BECAUSE IN THIS REGENTRIFICATION PROCESS, YOU CONSISTENTLY
25 SPEAK ABOUT THOSE OF US WHO ARE NOT PRODUCTIVE ENOUGH AND ARE

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1 NOT A BOON TO THE ECONOMY, WHERE THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
2 REMOVE THEM FROM THE STREETS, INSTEAD OF COMMISSIONING THE
3 POLICE TO DEHUMANIZE AND HARASS AND MURDER THEM. SO THEY'RE
4 NOT PREVENTING YOU IN YOUR ECONOMIC REGENTRIFICATION, SO WHY
5 DON'T YOU AVAIL YOURSELVES OF ACTUALLY FULFILLING YOUR
6 CAMPAIGN PROMISES, WHICH IS TO SERVE THE PEOPLE. AND AGAIN A
7 GOVERNMENT BY AND FOR ALL OF THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST THE ISAAC
8 SHOMAFS AND THE GILMORES, ALL OF THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST IF LAND
9 OWNERS AND REDEVELOPERS, BUT ALL OF THE PEOPLE. AND THE
10 MAJORITY OF WHOM ARE NEVER PRESENT. SO WE'RE SPEAKING ON THEIR
11 BEHALF. YOU HAVE THESE ROOMS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. THEY'RE NOT
12 IN USE. IT'S JUST NO REASON FOR YOU TO BLOCK THIS OTHER THAN
13 YOU ARE NOT PROFITING DIRECTLY FROM THIS. YOU'RE SERVING
14 YOURSELVES. YOU'RE NOT SERVING US. AND AGAIN THIS WOULD
15 IMPROVE THE OVERALL IMAGE OF DOWNTOWN. ENABLING THESE PEOPLE
16 TO BE OUT OF THE WAKE OF DISEASE, SUFFERING NOW. OF COURSE
17 IT'S WARM NOW. BUT THEY HAVE A RIGHT TO HOUSING. AND I THINK
18 THAT BY DENYING THESE PEOPLE, YOU WOULD BE DOING NOT ONLY
19 OURSELVES BUT YOURSELF A HORRIBLE DISSERVICE AND IT'S EVIL.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** AND I HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU ANOTHER DAY.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT?

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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. IF
3 YOU WEREN'T DOING ANYTHING ON SATURDAY, YOU COULD HAVE GONE TO
4 METRO HEADQUARTERS AND SPENT FOUR HOURS. THAT MUST HAVE BEEN
5 SOME PARTY. FOUR HOURS. BOGGLES THE MIND. ANYWAY, THEY WERE
6 TALKING ABOUT A FARE INCREASE FOR METRO. SO I'M JUST CURIOUS,
7 BECAUSE, AGAIN, RATIONALE INVOLVED SOMEWHERE. THIS IS FROM THE
8 FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE FROM NOVEMBER 19, 2008. SO IT'S A
9 RECAP OF THE 2006-2007 BUDGET FOR METRO. AND IT STATES "AFTER
10 RECEIVING THE REVISED SALES TAX FORECAST FROM U.C.L.A. IN
11 JANUARY 2008, THE BOARD APPROVED THE REVISION OF THE FISCAL
12 YEAR 2008 BUDGET TO REFORECAST LOWER ANTICIPATED SALES TAX
13 REVENUE." LOWER ANTICIPATED SALES TAX REVENUE FOR THE FISCAL
14 YEAR 2008 BUDGET. BUT THEN THE BOARD -- METRO SAID MEASURE R
15 IS GOING TO CREATE ONE BILLION DOLLARS IN SALES TAX REVENUE.
16 OVER ONE BILLION DOLLARS IN SALES TAX REVENUE. JANUARY THEY'RE
17 FORECASTING LOWER SALES TAX REVENUE. NOVEMBER 2008, A BILLION
18 DOLLARS SALES TAX REVENUE. NOW, THIS IS A PROPOSED BUDGET
19 FISCAL YEAR 2014. HASN'T QUITE ENDED. JUNE 30, 2014. PROPOSED
20 FISCAL YEAR '14, 708 MILLION DOLLARS IN BUDGET. BUT METRO IS
21 SAYING WE NEED MORE MONEY. WELL, WHICH IS IT? IS IT BILLION
22 DOLLARS A YEAR? YOU WERE YAPPING. YOU'RE NOT EVEN CLOSE. AND
23 NOBODY SAID ANYTHING. NOW THE SAME PEOPLE THAT FORECASTED THE
24 BILLION DOLLARS ARE SAYING WE HAVE A DEFICIT. WELL, WHICH IS
25 IT? TIME'S UP. WE'LL GET THAT ANSWERED.

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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TOOK THE WORDS RIGHT OUT OF MY MOUTH.
3 NEXT?

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5 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
6 JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL AND TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. YEAH, I WAS
7 THERE FOR THE 3 HOURS AND 45 MINUTES HEARING ON SATURDAY, THE
8 FAIR HIKE HEARING. MR. KNABE AND MR. ANTONOVICH WEREN'T THERE,
9 THE OTHER THREE WERE THERE FOR THE ENTIRE THREE HOURS AND 45
10 MINUTES. WHAT WE SAW WAS THE ARREST OF THREE BUS RIDERS. NOT
11 BUS RIDERS UNION MEMBERS. THEY BECOME VERY CENTRIST. ALL THEY
12 WANT IS AN AUDIT. THEY PRACTICALLY ARE IN FAVOR OF THE FARE
13 HIKE NOW. WHAT WE SAW IS A NEW GROUP FORMING. A NEW GROUP OF
14 YOUNGER THAN THE BUS RIDERS' UNION AND OF MORE GIVEN TO
15 VIOLENCE. AND YOU ARRESTED THREE OF THEM. BUS RIDERS UNION
16 REFUSED TO HELP THEM. DON'T GIVE A DIME TO THE BUS RIDERS
17 UNION ANYMORE. THEY ARE ON YOUR SIDE NOW. AND I JUST WANT TO
18 PUT ANYBODY BUT SCHRIVER, ANYBODY BUT SCHRIVER FOR SUP. VOTE
19 BOBBY SCHRIVER? FORGET ABOUT HIM. AND YOUR M.T.A. ON FRIDAY,
20 WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR BUS MAINTENANCE? IT ACTUALLY COLLAPSED.
21 BUT DO YOU KNOW WHY THEY'RE SAYING IT COLLAPSED NOW? THE
22 MALAYSIAN AIRLINER WENT INVISIBLE, WENT INTO THE BLACK HOLE
23 AND CRASHED IN DOWNTOWN L.A. INTO THE M.T.A.'S BUS MAINTENANCE
24 FACILITY AND DESTROYED IT. I MEAN, I'M TELLING YOU. YOU WASTE
25 OUR MONEY. OF COURSE I DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU THE COLOR OF THE

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1 SKIN OF THE PEOPLE ARRESTED. AGAIN DEVON MAHARAJ IS A VICIOUS
2 VILE RACIST. "I AM A COLORED MAN I DO NOT HATE BLACK PEOPLE. I
3 HATE MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS BECAUSE AND I WILL LIE ABOUT HIM ALL I
4 WANT BECAUSE I HATE HIM BECAUSE HIS SKIN IS DARKER THAN MINE"
5 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. THAT WAS THE EDITOR OF THE L.A. TIMES.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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9 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
10 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
11 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-1,
12 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AND ITEM NUMBER CS-2,
13 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND
14 DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL
15 AGENDAS. REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION TUESDAY,
16 APRIL 1, 2014. There is no reportable action as a result of
17 the Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.

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